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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2004, BEGINS ON PAGE 130.]

**SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER,  
PLEASE. AND ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BE LED IN OUR  
INVOCATION BY THE REVEREND PAUL SPELLMAN, ASSOCIATE PASTOR,  
OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION CHURCH IN CLAREMONT, FOLLOWED BY THE  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY MR. HENRY PACHECO, COMMANDER,  
WILMINGTON POST NUMBER 287, THE AMERICAN LEGION. FATHER PAUL?

**REVEREND PAUL SPELLMAN:** THANK YOU. I HAD A PRAYER THAT I HAD  
GOTTEN A WORLD PEACE FOR PRAYER THAT HAD ALL THESE  
DENOMINATIONS THAT I COULD THINK OF BUT THEN I GOT THE FACTS  
THAT SAID YOU CAN'T USE THAT SO I SWITCHED TO A DIFFERENT ONE.  
LOVING GOD, I SPEAK TO YOU WITH GRATITUDE. ON EVERY SIDE, I  
SEE THE ABUNDANT BLESSINGS YOU HAVE GIVEN TO OUR COUNTRY. EVEN  
THOUGH WE FACE OUR OWN SUFFERINGS, OUR BURDENS ARE LIGHT  
COMPARED TO MANY OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS. INCREASE IN US,  
LORD, THE GIFT OF FAITH SO WE MIGHT SEE ALL PEOPLE AS YOUR  
SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS. DON'T LET US BE BLIND TO OUR  
FELLOWSHIP IN YOU BECAUSE OF THE DIFFERENT COLORS OF OUR SKIN.  
DON'T LET US BE DEAD TO YOUR COMMAND OF LOVE BECAUSE OF OUR  
DIFFERENT POLITICAL SYSTEMS. DON'T LET US BECOME ISOLATED IN





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1 FEAR OF ONE ANOTHER BECAUSE OF RACE OR CREED OR DIFFERENCE IN  
2 AGE. HELP THOSE YOU HAVE BLESSED SO ABUNDANTLY TO REACH OUT  
3 AND TOUCH WITH GENEROSITY THE LIVES OF THE POOR. GIVE US THE  
4 COURAGE TO HELP OUR NATION TO USE ITS POWER TO BRING FREEDOM  
5 AND DIGNITY TO ALL PEOPLES. HELP EACH OF US, WHOEVER OR  
6 WHEREVER WE ARE, TO REALIZE THAT OUR LIVES MAY BE THE ONLY  
7 GOOD NEWS THAT OUR NEIGHBOR MAY EVER SEE. AMEN.

8

9 **HENRY PACHECO:** PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. PLEASE  
10 JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE AND TO THANK  
13 AND GIVE HIM A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION, MR. HENRY PACHECO,  
14 A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF WILMINGTON AND CURRENTLY SERVES AS  
15 COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST NUMBER 287, AS I  
16 MENTIONED. MR. PACHECO SERVED IN THE 53RD TRANSPORTATION  
17 COMPANY IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. MR.  
18 PACHECO COMPLETED HIS BASIC TRAINING AT FORT POKE, LOUISIANA,  
19 HIS ON THE JOB TRAINING AT FORT IRWIN, WAS STATIONED IN  
20 OKINAWA, JAPAN, PRIOR TO BEING SENT TO VIETNAM. HE WAS A  
21 TEACHER IN THE SAN PEDRO COMMUNITY FOR OVER 28 YEARS. HE JUST  
22 RETIRED THIS YEAR AFTER 26 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A TEACHER AT  
23 THE SAN PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL. MR. PACHECO COMES FROM A VERY LARGE  
24 FAMILY AND DISTINGUISHED FAMILY IN WILMINGTON. HIS BROTHER,  
25 AL, WHO WAS A KOREAN AIR VETERAN, WHO IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS



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1 MY APPOINTEE ON THE WILMINGTON CEMETERY BOARD OF DIRECTORS,  
2 HIS BROTHER, DAVID, SERVED IN THE 82ND AIRBORNE. HIS BROTHER,  
3 SAUL, SERVED IN THE 182ND AIRBORNE. SO, MR. PACHECO, YOUR  
4 FAMILY IS VERY SPECIAL TO ALL OF US AND WE JUST WANT TO THANK  
5 YOU FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO COME LEAD US  
6 IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TODAY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ONCE AGAIN, WE'D LIKE TO  
9 WELCOME FATHER PAUL SPELLMAN, WHO CURRENTLY SERVES AT OUR LADY  
10 OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH IN CLAREMONT. FATHER SPELLMAN WAS  
11 ORDAINED AS A PRIEST IN 2001 AFTER SPENDING 18 YEARS AS A  
12 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT. FATHER SPELLMAN EARNED HIS MBA  
13 FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HIS M.A. IN  
14 THEOLOGY FROM ST. JOHN'S SEMINARY IN CAMARILLO. HE SERVED 12  
15 YEARS AS A VOLUNTEER AT CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL IN EAST LOS  
16 ANGELES, THREE YEARS AS A VOLUNTEER WITH COVENANT HOUSE IN  
17 HOLLYWOOD AND THREE YEARS AS A TREASURER FOR THE HOUSE OF  
18 RUTH. SO, FATHER, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND WE KNOW BILL  
19 SIMON WAS ON THE BOARD OF COVENANT HOUSE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
20 BOARD, AND HAS DONE SO MUCH TO RAISE THE FUNDS AS WE REMEMBER  
21 WHEN FATHER RITTER FIRST CAME HERE ABOUT 12, 13 YEARS AGO AND  
22 ESTABLISHED THAT MISSION, WHICH HAD BEEN SO SUCCESSFUL IN NEW  
23 YORK AND ON THE EAST COAST. SO THANK YOU, FATHER, FOR COMING  
24 DOWN.

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1    **REVEREND PAUL SPELLMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE IT.

2    [ APPLAUSE ]

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4    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL DO THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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6    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
7    BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 5. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
8    COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

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10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WILL  
11   SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
14   AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H AND 2-H.

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16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED  
17   SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
18   ORDERED.

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20   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL  
21   PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT ITEMS 1-P THROUGH 3-P.

22

23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
24   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 13,  
2 I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER 5, AND THAT  
3 INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, HOLD FOR  
4 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM 8,  
5 HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT,  
8 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 14 THROUGH  
11 17. ON ITEM NUMBER 17, FOR THE RECORD, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES  
12 "NO".

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WHICH ONE IS THAT, NOW?

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16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT'S ITEM 17.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON ITEMS 14 THROUGH 16, MOVED BY  
19 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT  
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ON ITEM NUMBER 17, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE  
21 IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA  
22 VOTING "NO".

23

24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, ITEM 18.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY  
2   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CONSUMER AFFAIRS. ON ITEM 19, THAT ALSO  
5   INCLUDES SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S AMENDMENTS AS NOTED ON THE  
6   GREEN SHEET.

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8   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
9   ANTONOVICH AS AMENDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COUNTY COUNSEL, ITEMS 20 AND 21. ON ITEM  
12   NUMBER 20, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THE ITEM BE REFERRED  
13   TO CLOSED SESSION, AND COUNTY COUNSEL IS REQUESTING A FOUR-  
14   WEEK CONTINUANCE TO SEPTEMBER 7TH.

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16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE CAN STILL REFER IT TO CLOSED SESSION  
17   WITH THE INDICATION THAT IT WILL BE CONTINUED FOR FOUR WEEKS.

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19   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THEN ON...

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21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD I JUST ASK WHY THE FOUR WEEKS? CAN YOU  
22   DISCUSS THAT?

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24   **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WE HAD SOME  
25   CONTRACT ISSUES TO RESOLVE THAT CAME UP JUST RECENTLY, AND THE



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1 FIRST DATE AT WHICH THE FULL BOARD WILL BE HERE WAS SEPTEMBER  
2 7TH, I BELIEVE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES THIS MAKE IT-- DOES THIS RETARD THE  
5 ABILITY OF MERRICK TO DO THE WORK THAT HE'S BEEN ASKED TO DO?  
6 DOES IT DELAY IT BY A MONTH?

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8 **SPEAKER:** WELL, THAT'S PART OF THE ISSUE.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN...

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M READY TO DISCUSS IT TODAY BECAUSE I THINK  
13 THERE'S SOME VERY, VERY REVEALING FACTS ON THIS PROPOSAL AND  
14 I'LL DO IT IN THE PUBLIC SESSION, IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I THINK WE OUGHT TO DO IT IN CLOSED  
17 SESSION BUT THE ONLY REASON I RAISE IT NOW IS THAT I JUST  
18 DIDN'T WANT TO CONCEDE THAT WE WILL CONTINUE IT YET. WE MAY  
19 HAVE TO...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** LET'S MOVE IT TO CLOSED SESSION AND THEN  
22 WE'LL DECIDE IF WE CONTINUE IT BECAUSE I HAVE SOME ISSUES AS  
23 WELL, TOO.

24

25 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO IT WILL BE REFERRED TO CLOSED  
3 SESSION, NO AGREEMENT ON ANY LENGTH OF CONTINUANCE.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THEN ON 21, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE  
6 PUBLIC.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEM 22.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR  
13 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 23 THROUGH 31, AND  
16 I HAVE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER 23, AND THAT INCLUDES  
17 THE REQUEST AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
18 AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THE ITEM BE HELD. ON  
19 ITEM NUMBER 30, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET...

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. ANTONOVICH, YOU STILL WANT TO HOLD THAT  
22 ITEM BEFORE WE REFER IT BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT?

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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3    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 30, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN  
4    SHEET, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON THE REMAINDER, ITEM 30 BE  
7    CONTINUED TWO WEEKS. ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
8    BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
9    SO ORDERED.

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11   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** INTERNAL SERVICES, ITEM 32.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED  
14   BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEM 33.

17

18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WILL  
19   SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

20

21   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 34 THROUGH 48.

22

23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
24   MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON PAGE 20, SHERIFF, ITEMS 49 THROUGH 54.

2 ON ITEM 49, I HAVE A REQUEST FROM THE PUBLIC TO HOLD.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** HOLD.

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6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND ON 50, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET,

7 THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 9,

8 2004.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NUMBER 50.

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12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR

15 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT

16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** > TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 55.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THE CHAIR WILL

21 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 56

24 AND 57.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY  
2   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 58  
5   THROUGH 60, AND I'LL READ THOSE INTO THE RECORD. 58, AN  
6   ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 5.12, TENDER  
7   RESIGNATIONS AND VACANCIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE BY  
8   ADDING SECTION 5.12.110, DISQUALIFICATION FROM COUNTY  
9   EMPLOYMENT. ON ITEM 59, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET,  
10   SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ITEM 60, AN  
11   ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE  
12   FRANCHISE GRANTED TO POWER RUN OIL LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED  
13   LIABILITY COMPANY BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 85-0101-F AS AMENDED TO  
14   ADD TWO SERVICE AREAS TO THE FRANCHISE, DELETE ONE SERVICE  
15   AREA FROM THE FRANCHISE, AND UPDATE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
16   OF THE FRANCHISE. AND, FOR THE RECORD, ON ITEM 60, SUPERVISOR  
17   MOLINA VOTES "NO".

18

19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL BEGIN WITH ITEM 58. MOVED BY  
20   SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT  
21   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 59 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR TWO  
22   WEEKS. ON ITEM 60, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
23   SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH MOLINA VOTING "NO". SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTER, ITEMS 61 AND 62. 61 IS  
2 THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT  
3 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CITRUS  
4 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 2004 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS  
5 ELECTION 2004 SERIES A IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$22 MILLION.  
6 THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON ITEM 61, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,  
9 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 62, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET,  
12 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THE ITEM BE CONTINUED TO  
13 SEPTEMBER 7TH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA  
18 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE  
19 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
20 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.  
21 ITEM 63-A.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR  
24 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 63-B, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
2 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S ALREADY BEEN ARRESTED, SO NO NEED FOR  
5 THIS.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND 63-C.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
12 SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE AGENDA. BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
16 NUMBER 5.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, FIRST, WE WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN  
21 THE PROGRAM BY RECOGNIZING TWO OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATIONS: THE  
22 GLENDALE SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
23 MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ALLIANCE FOR THEIR WORK WITH THE "NOT EVEN  
24 FOR A MINUTE" CAMPAIGN WHICH EDUCATES ADULTS ABOUT THE DANGERS  
25 OF LEAVING THEIR CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN OR AROUND VEHICLES.



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1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ALLIANCE AND THE  
2 GLENDALE SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB BEGAN THIS PROJECT IN THE SPRING  
3 OF 2001 AND, ALTHOUGH THE CONCEPT ORIGINATED IN THE STATE OF  
4 NEW JERSEY, THESE TWO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BROUGHT IT  
5 TO THE WEST COAST AND BEYOND TO FURTHER PUBLICIZE THIS NOBLE  
6 CAUSE. THIS THURSDAY, WE WILL BE HOLDING A PRESS CONFERENCE IN  
7 THE COUNTY MALL WITH SHERIFF LEE BACA AND THE LOS ANGELES CITY  
8 ATTORNEY, ROCKY DELGADILLO, WHO WILL HAVE-- WE WILL PRESENT A  
9 LIVE DEMONSTRATION OF WHAT CAN HAPPEN TO A CHILD LEFT  
10 UNATTENDED IN A CAR, ESPECIALLY DURING THESE HOT SUMMER  
11 MONTHS. WE WILL ALSO BE INITIATING A JOINT PUBLIC AWARENESS  
12 CAMPAIGN WITH INFORMATION, CAITLIN'S LAW, WHICH MAKES IT A  
13 CRIME TO LEAVE YOUNG CHILDREN ALONE IN A MOTOR VEHICLE. WE'RE  
14 GOING TO ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC IN A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP  
15 TO BE OBSERVANT AND TO NOTIFY LAW ENFORCEMENT OR EMERGENCY  
16 SERVICES WHENEVER THEY WITNESS A CHILD LEFT UNATTENDED IN A  
17 CAR IN A PARKING LOT OR ON THE STREET. NOW WE'D LIKE TO  
18 INTRODUCE DR. DAVID SANDERS, WHO-- FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF  
19 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, AND THEN MAKE SOME  
20 PRESENTATIONS. SO FIRST, DR. SANDERS?

21  
22 **DR. DAVID SANDERS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND THANK  
23 YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR ONGOING SHARED CONCERN FOR  
24 THE CHILDREN THAT WE SERVE AND FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE "NOT  
25 EVEN FOR A MINUTE" PROGRAM. CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES



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1 FOCUSES ON SAFETY FOR CHILDREN IN THIS COMMUNITY AND, AS PART  
2 OF THE TRAINING IN THE DEPARTMENT, ALL COUNTY FOSTER PARENTS  
3 RECEIVE TRAINING IN THE AREA OF CHILD SAFETY AND MOTOR  
4 VEHICLES, AND THEY'RE ALL TOLD THAT LEAVING CHILDREN IN MOTOR  
5 VEHICLES UNATTENDED IS ABSOLUTELY NOT SAFE. AND THE DEPARTMENT  
6 STRONGLY ENCOURAGES COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION IN THE  
7 "NOT EVEN FOR A MINUTE" CAMPAIGN TO ENSURE ITS SUCCESS. SO  
8 THANKS AGAIN TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND TO ALL THOSE  
9 INVOLVED IN THIS IMPORTANT PROGRAM, INCLUDING SUPERVISOR--  
10 INCLUDING SHERIFF BACA.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE LOS  
13 ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, MARILYN GUNNELL. GET A  
14 PICTURE FIRST.

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16 **MARILYN GUNNELL:** ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL  
17 ASSOCIATION ALLIANCE, THE SPOUSES OF PHYSICIANS, IN THE COUNTY  
18 OF LOS ANGELES, I WANT TO EXPRESS OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION TO  
19 THIS ORGANIZATION AND ESPECIALLY TO MR. ANTONOVICH FOR  
20 RECOGNIZING OUR EFFORTS IN SAVING THE LIVES OF CHILDREN. AND  
21 OUR PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH, SPANISH, KOREAN, AND  
22 ARMENIAN, AND WE HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS OF EACH OF THE CHILDREN WHO  
23 ARE BEING REPRESENTED BY THE VARIOUS LANGUAGES. IT IS IN THE  
24 LANGUAGE OF THE ETHNICITY THAT HAS BEEN SELECTED. WE HAVE HAD  
25 MANY REQUESTS FOR OTHER LANGUAGES AS WELL AND WE HOPE THAT WE





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1 WILL BE ABLE TO BRING THOSE FORWARD IN THE FUTURE. WE HAVE  
2 WINDOW SLICKS FOR PEOPLE TO PUT ON THEIR VEHICLES TO REMIND  
3 PEOPLE THAT, IF YOU SEE CHILDREN LEFT UNATTENDED, DON'T JUST  
4 WALK AWAY, DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. AND WE ARE COMING OUT WITH A  
5 PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT WHICH I'M SURE YOU'LL BE SEEING ON  
6 RADIO AND TELEVISION VERY SHORTLY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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10 **MARILYN GUNNELL:** MY PLEASURE.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FROM THE GLENDALE SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB,  
13 KEITH SOREM, ALONG WITH STEVEN HUGO, FRANK LOPEZ, AND BONNIE  
14 BORNSTEEN. HOW ARE YA?

15

16 **KEITH SOREM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH ON BEHALF OF THE GLENDALE  
17 SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB. ROTARY IS THE LARGEST SERVICE  
18 ORGANIZATION IN THE WORLD. WE HAVE CLUBS ALL OVER THE WORLD  
19 AND WE'RE DELIGHTED TO BE PARTNERING, IN A STRATEGIC WAY, NOT  
20 ONLY WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL ALLIANCE ASSOCIATION  
21 BUT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ANNETTE  
22 HOOVER WAS A RESIDENT OR IS A RESIDENT OF PALMDALE. AND I  
23 RECEIVED AN EMAIL THROUGH OUR WEBSITE. HER THREE-YEAR-OLD SON  
24 ATTENDS A PRESCHOOL AND THERE'S A SHUTTLE THAT TAKES THE CHILD  
25 TO AND FROM. THE SHUTTLE DRIVER DIDN'T REALIZE THE CHILD HAD



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1    FALLEN ASLEEP, ARRIVED BACK HOME AFTER DROPPING THE KIDS OFF,  
2    AND TOOK A NAP. THE CHILD AWOKE AND, FORTUNATELY, HAD THE  
3    PRESENCE OF MIND TO GET OUT OF THE VEHICLE. ANNETTE CAME TO ME  
4    BY EMAIL AND I SAID YOU NEED TO GO TALK TO THE ROTARY CLUB.  
5    AND SHE WENT TO THE CLUB IN GLENDALE AND NOW THAT'S ONE OF  
6    THEIR PROJECTS. AND I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR REALIZING  
7    THIS IS AN ONGOING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND WE ARE VERY PROUD  
8    TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
9    SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11    **SPEAKER:** THE "NOT EVEN FOR A MINUTE" PROJECT IS JUST ONE OF  
12    THE GREAT PROJECTS THAT OUR ROTARY CLUB IS INVOLVED WITH.  
13    WE'RE A SMALL ROTARY CLUB BUT WE'RE VERY, VERY INVOLVED AND  
14    POWERFUL IN GLENDALE AND, FOR OUR 15TH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR,  
15    THE CLUB DEVELOPED A DECK OF PLAYING CARDS AND, ON EACH DECK,  
16    IS ONE OF THE MANY, MANY PROJECTS THAT OUR CLUB HAS TAKEN PART  
17    IN. ONE OF THE OTHER ONES THAT IS REALLY A FABULOUS PROJECT IS  
18    THE TEACHING YOUTH TOLERANCE PROJECT, WHERE WE BRING HIGH  
19    SCHOOL STUDENTS, EVERY TENTH GRADER IN THE CITY OF GLENDALE  
20    GOES-- COMES DOWNTOWN AND GOES TO THE JAPANESE-AMERICAN  
21    NATIONAL MUSEUM TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN PEOPLE ARE NOT  
22    TOLERANT OF EACH OTHER. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE CLUB, I HAVE A  
23    DECK OF CARDS FOR EACH ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS THAT WE'D LIKE  
24    YOU TO HAVE AND, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
25    FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE AN INDIVIDUAL  
5 WHO MUST EAT AN AWFUL LOT OF BROCCOLI MORNING, NOON AND NIGHT,  
6 AND THAT'S OUR SERGEANT FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
7 DEPARTMENT, DAVE MIKLOS, RECIPIENT OF THE GOLD MEDAL AT THE  
8 CALIFORNIA POLICE AND FIRE GAMES HELD EARLIER IN JUNE.  
9 SERGEANT MIKLOS COMPLETED THE TOUGHEST COMPETITOR ALIVE EVENT,  
10 WHICH IS AN ALL-DAY AFFAIR TESTING SPEED, STRENGTH, ENDURANCE  
11 IN A VARIETY OF COMPETITIONS, WALKING AWAY WITH THE GOLD MEDAL  
12 FOR THE MASTER B 45 TO 49 AGE GROUP. HE WAS RECENTLY ALSO  
13 NAMED DEPUTY OF THE YEAR AT THE PALMDALE SHERIFF'S STATION,  
14 SET A NEW RECORD OF 5,203 POINTS, SHATTERING THE PREVIOUS  
15 STATE POINT TOTAL RECORD THAT HE HAD PREVIOUSLY SET BY OVER  
16 340 POINTS. HE ALSO SET A PERSONAL BEST FOR PULL-UPS AND  
17 OBSTACLE COURSE COMPLETION AND TIED HIS PERSONAL BEST FOR THE  
18 BENCH PRESS. IN SPITE OF RESTRICTED TRAINING SCHEDULE, HE WAS  
19 INSPIRED TO COMPLETE THIS YEAR BY MEMORIES OF HIS FRIEND AND  
20 GAMES FOUNDER, LARRY MOORE, WHO IS A RETIRED LOS ANGELES  
21 POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER. HE NOW HAS HIS SIGHTS SET ON THE  
22 WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES FOR THE SUMMER 2005 IN QUEBEC,  
23 CANADA. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXTEND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO  
24 HIS WIFE, ROBERTA, FOR ALL OF HER PATIENCE AND SUPPORT IN  
25 ALLOWING HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRAIN FOR THIS EVENT. AND HE'S



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1 JOINED WITH US BY COMMANDER DENNIS CONTE AND CAPTAIN BLOW IS  
2 HERE ALONG WITH, AS I SAID, HIS WIFE, ROBERTA. SO, SERGEANT? [  
3 APPLAUSE ]

4

5 **SERGEANT DAVE MIKLOS:** I DO HAVE TO ADMIT THAT HERSHEY BARS ARE  
6 ON MY DIET EVERY ONCE IN AWHILE SO I HAD TO THROW THAT IN. I  
7 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SPECIFICALLY  
8 MIKE ANTONOVICH, FOR INVITING ME FOR THIS RECOGNITION, AND  
9 THANK YOU TO COMMANDER CONTE AND CAPTAIN BLOW AND MY WIFE,  
10 ROBERTA, FOR COMING. I'M VERY PLEASED AND PROUD TO BE A  
11 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
12 TO HELP PROMOTE HEALTH AND FITNESS. [ APPLAUSE ]

13

14 **CAPTAIN BLOW:** GOOD MORNING. DAVE IS A FINE EXAMPLE OF WHAT  
15 DEDICATION AND PERSEVERANCE AND DO. AND NOT ONLY DOES HE  
16 PERFORM WELL ON THE COMPETITIVE FIELD, THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF  
17 WHAT HE DOES AT THE JOB AS WELL, AND I'M EXTREMELY PROUD TO  
18 HAVE HIM UNDER MY COMMAND IN THE MIRA LOMA FACILITY. THANK  
19 YOU, SIR, FOR TAKING THE TIME TO ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND THE  
20 EFFORTS OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
21 DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOME OF YOU HAVE HEARD, READ ABOUT VARIOUS  
24 CASES IN THE NEWSPAPER, SEEN THE TRAGEDIES THAT OCCURRED ON  
25 TELEVISION REPORTING THE VARIOUS EVENTS, BUT MANY OF YOU DON'T



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1 REALIZE THE INDIVIDUALS WHO REALLY DO THE HARD WORK, AND  
2 THAT'S IN PROSECUTION OF THOSE CRIMINALS. AND, TODAY, WE WOULD  
3 LIKE TO BRING TO YOUR RECOGNITION ELEANOR HUNTER, WHO WAS THE  
4 2004 CALIFORNIA DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION PROSECUTOR OF  
5 THE YEAR AWARD. SHE PROSECUTED SUCCESSFULLY THE 1970S RADICAL  
6 SARA JANE OLSON FOR ATTEMPTING TO BOMB AND KILL TWO POLICE  
7 OFFICERS-- TWO POLICE VEHICLES IN LOS ANGELES. THEN PIERCED  
8 TOGETHER THE CASE THAT BECAME THE BASIS FOR THE SUCCESSFUL  
9 MURDER PROSECUTION OF OLSON AND FOUR OTHERS IN SACRAMENTO.  
10 EARLIER THIS YEAR, SHE SUCCESSFULLY PROSECUTED BRUCE COLICH  
11 FOR THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE, WHO WAS THE DAUGHTER OF FORMER  
12 STATE SENATOR, PAUL CARPENTER, WHOM I HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO  
13 SERVE WITH WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE ASSEMBLY. SHE ALSO SECURED  
14 THE CONVICTION OF, LAST YEAR, AGAINST JOSEPH JESSE VALDEZ FOR  
15 THE ROBBERY AND MURDER OF LAWYER NICOLAS CALENS AND CURRENTLY  
16 SHE'S PROSECUTING SANTI KHIEMS, ONE-HALF OF THE MOTHER/SON  
17 GRAFTER TEAM ENGAGING IN A CROSS-COUNTRY MURDER AND FRAUD  
18 SPREE. SO, AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE ELEANOR THIS  
19 PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF HER PROFESSIONALISM, INTEGRITY,  
20 AND LEADERSHIP IN THE PROSECUTION AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S  
21 OFFICE IN BRINGING JUSTICE TO OUR COUNTY AND STATE.  
22 CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE ]  
23  
24 **CHIEF DEPUTY CURT LIVESAY:** IT'S MY PLEASURE ONCE AGAIN TO  
25 APPEAR HERE. ELEANOR IS TRULY...





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CURT LIVESAY, THE CHIEF DEPUTY FOR DISTRICT  
3 ATTORNEY, STEVE COOLEY.

4

5 **CHIEF DEPUTY CURT LIVESAY:** ELEANOR TRULY IS ONE OF THE VERY  
6 BEST. THANK YOU, MR. SUPERVISOR, THANKS TO THE BOARD. ELEANOR  
7 REFLECTS WELL ON THE GREAT OFFICE THAT I'VE HAD THE OCCASION  
8 TO SERVE FOR 30 YEARS AND ELEANOR REFLECTS WELL ON THE GREAT  
9 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11 **ELEANOR HUNTER:** JUST THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M VERY HONORED BY  
12 THIS. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE NISEI  
15 COURT BUT THEY HAVE NOT ARRIVED. THEY'RE GOING TO BE ARRIVING  
16 AROUND 11:00, SO I WOULD JUST LIKE TO CONCLUDE WITH BRINGING  
17 OUT LITTLE OREO, WHO IS A BLACK/WHITE-HAIRED TERRIER, WHO'S 10  
18 WEEKS OLD. SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE SENT  
19 ME A EMAIL, ALONG WITH OTHER COLLEAGUES, OF A LITTLE CAT  
20 PRESENTATION ONE TIME THAT A PERSON FROM ANIMAL CONTROL HAD,  
21 AND WE'VE NEVER HAD THAT EXPERIENCE THERE, AND HOPEFULLY WE  
22 WILL NEVER IN THE FUTURE. SOME OF YOU MAY HAVE SEEN IT. THIS  
23 IS LITTLE OREO, 10 WEEKS OLD, LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO ANYBODY'D  
24 LIKE TO ADOPT HER, YOU CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT THE  
25 BOTTOM OF YOUR TELEVISION SCREEN, (562) 728-4644, OR THOSE IN



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1 THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT OREO. SO LOOKING FOR A  
2 HOME. COMES WITH A BRIGHT COLLAR. OKAY? THAT'S ALL.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** PRESENTATIONS?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, I'M VERY PLEASED THIS  
11 MORNING TO HONOR 13 DEDICATED PARENT VOLUNTEERS REPRESENTING  
12 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF  
13 EDUCATION HEADSTART POLICY COUNCIL. THEY'RE GOING TO COME UP  
14 AND JOIN ME. THESE EXEMPLARY INDIVIDUALS ARE BEING RECOGNIZED  
15 FOR THE DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO HEADSTART FOR THE  
16 DEVOTION OF OUR COMMUNITIES-- AGAIN, FOR THEIR DEVOTION TO OUR  
17 COUNTY'S CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND THEIR WILLINGNESS TO TAKE A  
18 VERY ACTIVE ROLE AND INSTRUMENTAL ROLE IN THE EARLY EDUCATION  
19 OF OUR CHILDREN. IN ADDITION TO BALANCING ALL OF THE DEMANDS  
20 OF FAMILY AND WORKING, THESE PARENTS ALSO VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME  
21 TO ENSURE THAT OUR HEADSTART PROGRAMS CONTINUE TO BE AN  
22 IMPORTANT PART OF THE EDUCATIONAL AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES THAT  
23 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTY. AS WE ALL KNOW, HEADSTART PLAYS A  
24 VERY FUNDAMENTAL ROLE IN PREPARING THE COUNTY'S CHILDREN FOR  
25 SCHOOL AND STRONGLY EMPHASIZES PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AT EVERY



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1 LEVEL. AS WE BEGIN TODAY, IN LOOKING AT IMPLEMENTING UNIVERSAL  
2 PRESCHOOL THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, THESE PARENTS ARE AN  
3 ESSENTIAL REMINDER ABOUT THE IMPORTANT INPUT THAT PARENTS CAN  
4 PROVIDE IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT NOT ONLY EVERY HEADSTART  
5 PROGRAM IS SUCCESSFUL, BUT THAT EVERY CHILD EXCELS IN THAT  
6 PROGRAM. SO TODAY, WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION TO THE  
7 WORK THAT THESE VOLUNTEERS HAVE BEEN DEDICATING TO THE COUNTY,  
8 THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP ROLE THAT THEY HAVE BEEN PLAYING, AND  
9 I'M HONORED THIS MORNING THAT WE ARE ALSO JOINED BY OUR  
10 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, DARLENE ROBLISS IS HERE ALSO  
11 CHEERING THEM ON AND COMMENDING THEM, BUT I'D LIKE TO AT THIS  
12 TIME INVITE OUR HEADSTART POLICY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON, IRENE  
13 CORTEZ, TO SAY A FEW WORDS. IRENE, WOULD YOU JOIN US? [  
14 APPLAUSE ]

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16 **IRENE CORTEZ:** HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS, THANK YOU FOR FITTING  
17 US INTO YOUR VERY BUSY SCHEDULE. I AM IRENE CORTEZ,  
18 CHAIRPERSON OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OF EDUCATION HEADSTART  
19 POLICY COUNCIL, A BODY OF PARENTS THAT PARTICIPATES IN A  
20 SHARED GOVERNANCE OF HEADSTART PROGRAM. AFTER OUR LAST FOUR  
21 FEDERAL REVIEWS AND AUDITS, THE ADMINISTRATION OF CHILDREN AND  
22 FAMILY HAS DEEMED LEGAL POLICY COUNCIL TO BE EXEMPLARY. WE  
23 COULD NOT HAVE DONE THIS WITHOUT THE HELP OF THE LEGAL STAFF  
24 IN THE PARENT EDUCATION AND GOVERNANCE UNIT. THANK YOU.  
25 HEADSTART IS A GREAT PROGRAM THAT NOT ONLY TOUCHES THE LIVES



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1 OF THE CHILD BUT THE WHOLE FAMILY. HEADSTART IS A TRUE  
2 TREASURE CHEST THAT ENRICHES MANY LIVES. I AM THANKFUL AND  
3 GRATEFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE A PART OF THIS GREAT  
4 PROGRAM. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY WHEN HEADSTART STARTED BUT I  
7 KNOW THAT TODAY WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE GRADS OF PRESCHOOL OF  
8 THE HEADSTART PROGRAM AND IT HAS PROVEN A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS,  
9 WHICH IS WHY, THIS WEEK, OUR FIRST FIVE PROGRAM IS GOING TO BE  
10 NAMING ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE POLICY COUNCIL THAT IS GOING  
11 TO BE DEVELOPING THE UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL PROGRAM. IT HAS  
12 PROVEN A SUCCESS. BUT I THINK AS THESE PARENTS ARE A  
13 TESTIMONY, TOO, YOU CANNOT DO IT WITHOUT INPUT FROM THE  
14 PARENTS. THAT IS VITAL. IT'S AN IMPORTANT RESOURCE THAT SHOULD  
15 NOT BE IGNORED AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, WITHOUT THE PARENTS'  
16 INVOLVEMENT DIRECTLY, YOU ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE SUCCESS WITH  
17 THE CHILDREN. SO I CONGRATULATE YOU FOR ALL THE WORK AND THE  
18 LEADERSHIP THAT YOU PROVIDE AS WELL AS THE ENCOURAGEMENT TO  
19 OTHER PARENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. SO  
20 I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT SOME CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION.  
21 FIRST OF ALL, TO IRENE CORTEZ, THANK YOU SO MUCH. EXEMPLARY.  
22 IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF YOUR LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU, IRENE. [  
23 APPLAUSE ]

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** NEXT WE HAVE (INAUDIBLE) HERNANDEZ. [ APPLAUSE ]



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** BETTY VICENTI. BETTY? [ APPLAUSE ]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE). [ APPLAUSE ]

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE). [ APPLAUSE ]

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE). [ APPLAUSE ]

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE). [ APPLAUSE ]

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** WOULD YOU GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE? ALL OF  
13 THEM DID A TERRIFIC JOB. WE WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU.  
14 CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE ] YOU DID AN EXEMPLARY JOB. AGAIN,  
15 THANKS SO MUCH. THAT IS ALL.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD LIKE TO ASK JIM BROWN TO COME FORWARD AND  
20 HE HAS A GROUP OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND FACILITATORS OF THE AMER-I-  
21 CAN PROGRAM AT WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL. WELL, AMER-I-CAN IS A  
22 PROGRAM WE ALL HEAR SO MUCH ABOUT. AND, OF COURSE, WE KNOW ALL  
23 THE GOOD WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE BY JIM BROWN AS HE  
24 DISTINGUISHES HIMSELF IN THE COMMUNITY, JUST AS HE DID AS A  
25 FOOTBALL PLAYER AND PROBABLY THE BEST. AND AMER-I-CAN PROGRAM





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1 IS A 60 TO 90-HOUR, 15-CHAPTER LIFE MANAGEMENT SKILLS  
2 CURRICULUM DESIGNED TO EMPOWER YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE CHARGE OF  
3 THEIR LIVES AND ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. FOUNDED IN 1988,  
4 THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN A PROVEN SUCCESS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN SIX  
5 STATES, INCLUDING CALIFORNIA AND NEW YORK. AT THE BEGINNING OF  
6 THIS YEAR, THE PROGRAM CURRICULUM WAS ADOPTED BY GEORGE  
7 WASHINGTON PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL. SINCE THAT TIME, 23  
8 STUDENTS, 16 TO 18 YEARS OLD, HAVE ATTENDED THE CLASS AT THE  
9 END OF THEIR REGULAR SCHOOL DAY AND THE PROGRAM-- EIGHT  
10 COMPONENTS ARE MOTIVATION, HABITS, ATTITUDE, CONDITIONING,  
11 GOAL-SETTING, PROBLEM-SOLVING, DECISION- MAKING, EMOTIONAL  
12 CONTROL AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS, FINANCIAL STABILITY,  
13 EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION, AND EMPLOYMENT SEARCH AND RETENTION.  
14 LAST MAY 21ST, THE 23 STUDENTS GRADUATED FROM THE CURRICULUM.  
15 WASHINGTON PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL HERBERT JONES HAS  
16 SAID THE PROGRAM INSPIRED STUDENTS TO WORK HARD AGAINST THEIR  
17 DAILY CHALLENGES, ACADEMICALLY AND SOCIALLY. I'M VERY PLEASED  
18 TO RECOGNIZE, FIRST OF ALL, JIM BROWN, FOUNDER OF AMER-I-CAN  
19 PROGRAM, AND THE SPONSORS, ALUMNI AND FACILITATORS WHO HAVE  
20 MADE THIS PROGRAM SO SUCCESSFUL. AND ON BEHALF OF THE AMER-I-  
21 CAN AND ALL OF THE HARD WORK THAT YOU DO, JIM,  
22 CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE ]

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT STEVE HARVEY WAS ONE OF THE  
25 SPONSORS AND WE WANTED TO CERTAINLY ACKNOWLEDGE HIS



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1 PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM AND HIS ASSISTANCE IN MAKING IT  
2 A SUCCESS. WE'RE ASKING YOU TO ACCEPT ON HIS BEHALF.

3

4 **JIM BROWN:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. FIRSTLY, I WOULD LIKE TO  
5 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO HAS BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE OF  
6 OUR PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY MIKE ANTONOVICH AND YVONNE  
7 BRATHWAITE-BURKE. WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH BECAUSE, WITHOUT YOUR  
8 SUPPORT, WE COULD NOT BE UP HERE TODAY. AND, SECONDLY, YOU SEE  
9 THE DIVERSITY THAT'S UP HERE RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE JOHNNY BERRY,  
10 WHO HAS BEEN A PRIVATE CITIZEN THAT HAS SUPPORTED US, WE HAVE  
11 ALL THE YOUNGSTERS HERE, SOME OF THEM GOING TO COLLEGE, WE  
12 HAVE EX-GANG MEMBERS WHO ARE TEACHING IN THE SCHOOLS AND THE  
13 COMMUNITY, UNITY ONE, UNITY THREE, VENICE 2000, ALL OF THESE  
14 ORGANIZATIONS HAVE JOINED IN A COLLABORATION TO MAKE US STREET  
15 SAFER, TO REEMPHASIZE EDUCATION. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SAY TO ALL  
16 OF THEM, I'M SO PROUD OF YOU, KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, AND THANK  
17 YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE PRINCIPAL HERBERT JONES, WHO WE ALSO WANT TO  
20 COMMEND FOR HAVING THE INSIGHT TO BRING THIS PROGRAM, IS NOT  
21 HERE, BUT IT-- WE'LL HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE. ONE OF THE  
22 STUDENTS WILL ACCEPT FOR HIM. LAQUANA WILLIAMS. [ APPLAUSE ]

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24 **LAQUANA WILLIAMS:** HI. MY NAME IS LAQUANA WILLIAMS, AND I'M  
25 HERE ON BEHALF OF ALL THE GRADUATES OF THE AMER-I-CAN PROGRAM



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1 THIS YEAR, 2004. WE LEARNED A LOT. WE LEARNED HOW TO BE  
2 EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS AND WE ALSO LEARNED HOW TO EXPRESS  
3 OURSELVES IN A GROUP SESSION AND GROUP SITUATIONS, AND I'D  
4 LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR BURKE AND MR. JIM BROWN FOR BELIEVING  
5 IN US AND THAT'S ALL. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE CONTINUES ]

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** MARGUERITE POINDEXTER LAMONT IS NOT HERE, BUT  
10 THERE WILL BE A PERSON WHO ACCEPTS ON BEHALF OF THE LAUSD  
11 SCHOOL BOARD. VERNELLE SCAGGS WILL ACCEPT FOR HER, BOARD  
12 MEMBER.

13

14 **VERNELLE SCAGGS:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. ON BEHALF OF BOARD  
15 MEMBER MARGUERITE LAMONT AND THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL  
16 DISTRICT, I'M HONORED TO ACCEPT THIS AWARD ON HER BEHALF,  
17 RECOGNIZING THE BOARD MEMBERS' COMMITMENT TO THE AMER-I-CAN  
18 PROGRAM AND THE STUDENTS OF LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL  
19 DISTRICT. ADDITIONALLY, I'D LIKE TO STATE, AS I STATED  
20 EARLIER, EITHER WE SUCCEED AS A COMMUNITY OR WE FAIL AS  
21 INDIVIDUALS IN EDUCATING AND TRAINING OUR YOUTH AND AMER-I-CAN  
22 PROGRAM SERVES AS A FINE EXAMPLE OF THAT PHILOSOPHY. THANK  
23 YOU.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** JOANIE AND JODI PERRY, SPONSORS. [ APPLAUSE ]



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2 **MS. PERRY:** I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY HOW PROUD I AM OF THIS  
3 GRADUATING CLASS AND HOW HAPPY I AM TO BE A PART OF AMER-I-CAN  
4 AND TO JIM, MY CONTINUING SUPPORT ALWAYS. [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** FIRE AND FANTASY COMPANY. HOLLYWOOD, FEDEX AND  
7 KINKOS. JACKSON LIMOUSINE. [ APPLAUSE ]

8

9 **SPEAKER:** I JUST WANT TO SAY IT'S A HONOR TO KNOW MR. BROWN. AS  
10 A YOUNG MAN, HE WAS VERY INSPIRATIONAL IN MY LIFE TO GO ON AND  
11 TO DO BIGGER AND BETTER THINGS AS A ATHLETE, AS A BUSINESSMAN,  
12 AND I JUST WANT TO THANK HIM AND ANYTHING THAT HE'S A PART OF,  
13 I'M A PART OF. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I'M 54 YEARS OLD,  
14 SO HE'S STILL HELPING THE KIDS RIGHT HERE, AND I'M VERY HAPPY  
15 TO BE A PART OF IT. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** TARGET, I-CAN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF TARGET STORES, JUST SAY I'M GLAD TO BE  
20 PART OF THIS PROGRAM. ALSO WITH JIM BROWN, DOING A TREMENDOUS  
21 JOB IN THE COMMUNITY AND, AS A COMMUNITY PERSON, JUST THAT WE,  
22 AS PEOPLE, NEED TO HELP SUPPORT THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON  
23 THAT'S TARGETING OUR YOUTH. THIS IS OUR TOMORROW, THIS IS OUR  
24 TODAY, THIS IS WHERE WE NEED TO BE AT, TARGETING THEM AND



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1    HELPING THEM GET THROUGH THE TIMES THEY NEED TO IN SUPPORTING  
2    PROGRAMS LIKE THIS. I'LL JUST SAY THANK YOU.

3

4    **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6    **SUP. BURKE:** AND RICKIE RAFTERS-- RICKIE WATERS. MELVIN HARDY.  
7    YOU'RE MELVIN HARDY. OKAY. YOU ACCEPT FOR TARGET AND MELVIN  
8    HARDY. OKAY. JEFF HARMON. [ APPLAUSE ]

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10   **SUP. BURKE:** DANIEL O'NEAL FITZGERALD. [ APPLAUSE ]

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12   **JOHN GARDNER:** HELLO. I'M JOHN GARDNER, THE FATHER OF DANIEL  
13   FITZGERALD, AND I HAVE MY OLDEST SON HERE, DAVID WILLIAMS, WHO  
14   ALSO WAS A GRADUATE OF THE AMER-I-CAN PROGRAM. WE'D LIKE TO  
15   THANK MR. JIM BROWN AND AMBASSADOR MOODY FOR COMING TO OUR  
16   FAMILY AND SUPPORTING US THROUGH OUR TRIALS AND THANK THE  
17   BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. THANK YOU VERY  
18   MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

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20   **SUP. BURKE:** AMBASSADOR DWAYNE MOODY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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22   **SUP. BURKE:** GAYLE DANDY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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24   **SUP. BURKE:** CAN WE TAKE A LARGE PICTURE WITH ALL OF THE  
25   STUDENTS?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY THAT WE'VE WORKED WITH AMER-  
3 I-CAN FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS NOW, AND THEY'VE DONE A VERY  
4 POSITIVE, CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY IN HELPING YOUNG  
5 PEOPLE GET THEIR FEET ON THE GROUND AND BE REDIRECTED INTO  
6 PRODUCTIVE LIVES, AND WE ENCOURAGE MORE COMMUNITIES TO GET  
7 AMER-I-CAN INVOLVED IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS AS WELL TO HAVE  
8 THESE SAME TYPE OF RESULTS. [ APPLAUSE ]

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK JUDGE DAVID WESLEY AND  
15 COLLETTE SERIO TO JOIN ME UP HERE. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF  
16 THE BOARD, IT GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE TO HAVE-- COME  
17 TO THE BOARD THIS MORNING TO BE RECOGNIZED JUDGE DAVID  
18 WELLESLEY AND COMMISSIONER COLLETTE SERIO FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY  
19 PROJECT THAT THEY HAVE UNDERTAKEN THAT IS HAVING GREAT SUCCESS  
20 IN-- AMONG OUR TEENS HERE IN THE COUNTY. DAVID WELLESLEY--  
21 WESLEY. I KEEP SAYING WELLESLEY, I'M THINKING OF THE COLLEGE,  
22 BUT DAVID WESLEY CURRENTLY SERVES WITH DISTINCTION AS THE  
23 SUPERVISING JUDGE OF THE CRIMINAL JUDGE OF THE LOS ANGELES  
24 SUPERIOR COURT, A POSITION HE ATTAINED AFTER SERVING 10 YEARS  
25 AS A JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT. HE SERVES WITHOUT PAY AS





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1 COORDINATOR AND VOLUNTEER JUDICIAL OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY'S  
2 TEEN COURT, A SCHOOL-BASED PEER JURY PROGRAM THAT HEARS CASES  
3 IN A DEDICATED CAMPUS COURTROOM TO DETERMINE THE GUILT OF A  
4 JUVENILE OFFENDER AND IMPOSE AN APPROPRIATE SENTENCE. AND, AT  
5 THE COMPLETION OF WHICH, THE YOUTHFUL OFFENDER'S ARREST AND  
6 RECORDS ARE EXPUNGED. JUDGE WESLEY IS COMMITTED TO THE  
7 EXPANSION OF THE TEEN COURT PROGRAM, HELPING TO ESTABLISH TEEN  
8 COURTS AT WILSON, DORSEY, CARSON, MANUAL ARTS AND TAFT HIGH  
9 SCHOOLS. HIS PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT AND SUSTAINED COMMITMENT HAS  
10 EMPOWERED MANY STUDENTS TO MAKE POSITIVE DECISIONS AFFECTING  
11 THEIR FUTURE AND THEIR COMMUNITIES. HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE  
12 TEEN COURT PROGRAM HAS MADE IT A MODEL INTERVENTION PROGRAM  
13 FOR FIRST-TIME JUVENILE OFFENDERS, SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCING THE  
14 PERCENTAGE OF RECIDIVISM AND REDUCING JUSTICE COST TO THE  
15 COUNTY'S TAXPAYERS. COLLETTE SERIO ALSO SERVES WITH  
16 DISTINCTION AS A SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER IN THE NORTHEAST  
17 DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT AND RECENTLY COMPLETED  
18 HER FIRST YEAR OF SERVICE AS THE PRESIDING JUDICIAL OFFICER AT  
19 THE NEWLY OPENED TEEN COURT PROGRAM AT TAFT HIGH SCHOOL IN THE  
20 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. COMMISSIONER SERIO SERVES WITHOUT PAY AS  
21 A VOLUNTEER JUDICIAL OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY'S TEEN COURT,  
22 AGAIN, I WON'T REPEAT WHAT THIS PROGRAM IS, AND SHE, TOO, HAS  
23 BEEN COMMITTED TO THE EXPANSION OF THIS PROGRAM AND THE HOPE  
24 IS, AS I UNDERSTAND IT NOW, THAT THREE MORE HIGH SCHOOLS WOULD  
25 RECEIVE DESIGNATION FOR TEEN COURTS AND THOSE PROGRAMS WOULD



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1 GO-- THE SCHOOLS THAT HAVE INDICATED INTEREST ARE GRANT HIGH  
2 SCHOOL, MONROE HIGH SCHOOL, MY SON'S ALMA MATTER, AND VAN NUYS  
3 HIGH SCHOOL, WHICH WILL BE STARTING THIS FALL, ALL IN THE SAN  
4 FERNANDO VALLEY. THE TEEN COURT PROGRAM IS UNIQUE. TEENS SIT  
5 IN JUDGMENT OF THEIR PEERS. THE COURTS ARE HELD AT THE SCHOOL  
6 AND IT'S FOR FIRST-TIME OFFENDERS AND IT'S A WAY TO ADDRESS  
7 PROBLEMS OF FIRST-TIME OFFENDERS AND KEEP THEM OUT OF THE  
8 JUDICIAL SYSTEM, WHICH IS GOOD FOR THEM AND WHICH IS ALSO GOOD  
9 FOR US IF THEY CAN KEEP THEIR NOSES CLEAN AFTER THAT FIRST  
10 EXPERIENCE. IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR TEENS TO LEARN A  
11 LITTLE BIT ABOUT RESPONSIBILITY AND ALSO ABOUT OUR JUDICIAL  
12 WAY OF LIFE. IT'S REALLY A GREAT PROGRAM AND ONE WHICH I HOPE  
13 ONE DAY WILL EXPAND EVEN BEYOND THE SCHOOLS THAT WE HAVE NOW  
14 AND THE THREE HIGH SCHOOLS THAT ARE SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE THIS  
15 SERVICE. COLLETTE AND DAVID, I WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH FOR YOUR  
16 LEADERSHIP, FOR YOUR VISION. THIS IS LITERALLY THINKING  
17 OUTSIDE THE BOX IN TERMS OF THE RISK THAT IS INVOLVED. I CAN  
18 IMAGINE THAT IT WAS NOT EASY TO SELL THIS IDEA AT FIRST BUT  
19 IT'S AN IDEA THAT HAS TAKEN HOLD AND IS HAVING A POSITIVE  
20 IMPACT ON OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, ON THESE  
21 PARTICULAR KIDS, THESE TEENS WHO FIND THEMSELVES IN A BIT OF A  
22 PROBLEM FOR THE FIRST TIME. SO WE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE YOU,  
23 DAVID, I'LL GIVE YOU THIS RESOLUTION, AND COLLETTE, THIS IS  
24 FOR YOU, AND I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO SAY A COUPLE OF WORDS, IF  
25 YOU WILL.



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**COLLETTE SERIO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU, MEMBERS  
OF THE BOARD, FOR THIS RECOGNITION. TAFT HIGH SCHOOL STARTED  
THEIR TEEN COURT PROGRAM THIS YEAR AND THEY ARE ENERGIZED. NOT  
ONLY DOES IT BENEFIT JUVENILE MINORS BUT IT IS A GREAT  
OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS AT TAFT HIGH SCHOOL. IT IS AN  
INTERESTING PROGRAM, IT EXCELS, AND STUDENTS HAVE THE ABILITY  
TO QUESTION JUVENILE MINORS, CROSS-EXAMINE JUVENILE MINORS,  
AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION FOR PUNISHMENT OR REHABILITATION.  
REHABILITATION IS THE KEY FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS. THANK YOU  
FOR THIS RECOGNITION. [ APPLAUSE ]

12

**DAVID WESLEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR AND THE BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS. THIS PROGRAM IS A COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE HIGH  
SCHOOLS, THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, AND THE COURTS IN LOS  
ANGELES COUNTY. ITS GOAL IS TO ALLOW YOUNG STUDENTS AT THE  
HIGH SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND HELP IN  
THE REHABILITATION OF AT-RISK YOUTH IN THOSE COMMUNITIES.  
WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR QUITE AWHILE NOW. IT'S A PROGRAM  
THAT WE, MS. SERIO AND MYSELF AND ALL OF THE BENCH OFFICERS  
THAT ARE DOING THIS PROGRAM ABSOLUTELY LOVE. WE THANK YOU FOR  
RECOGNIZING THE PROGRAM TODAY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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**SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I WAS GOING TO SAY, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP  
JONATHAN RIGHT NOW BUT HE'S ALREADY HERE. JONATHAN SEDANO, WHO



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1 IS ACCOMPANIED BY MR. AND MRS. DAVID SEDANO, AND ANDREA LUZ,  
2 AND WE HAVE A WHOLE BUNCH OF FOLKS HERE. WE HAVE BATTALION  
3 FIRE CHIEF MICHAEL SAENZ AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF JOHN NIETO  
4 AND CAPTAIN BILL BORGEO AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS,  
5 BOB PEGLER, DAVID WALLENDER, JULIO MERIMONTEZ JASON VASQUEZ  
6 AND LEONARD CRUZ. TODAY WE ARE HONORING JONATHAN FOR HIS QUICK  
7 AND DECISIVE THINKING AND LIFESAVING ACTIONS OF JULY 23RD. ON  
8 JULY 23RD, AT HIS UNCLE'S HOME IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS, JONATHAN  
9 FOUND HIS 48-YEAR-OLD UNCLE, LARRY FRANCO, LYING ON THE POOL  
10 STEP BLEEDING WITH A TWO-INCH LACERATION TO THE CROWN OF HIS  
11 HEAD. JONATHAN STATED THAT HIS UNCLE DOVE INTO THE POOL AND  
12 CAME TO THE SURFACE FACE DOWN. THE SECONDS PASSED BEFORE HE  
13 SAW THE BLOOD IN THE WATER AND WENT ON TO HIS UNCLE'S AID IN  
14 THE THREE OR FOUR FEET OF WATER. HE RAISED HIS STUNNED AND  
15 UNCONSCIOUS UNCLE'S HEAD ABOVE THE SURFACE, PULLED HIM TOWARD  
16 THE STEPS AND POSITIONED HIM ON THE STEPS SO HE COULD BREATHE  
17 NORMALLY WITH HIS HEAD OUT OF THE WATER. SHHH. COULD WE JUST  
18 HAVE YOUR ATTENTION FOR A SECOND, PLEASE? JONATHAN'S QUICK AND  
19 DECISIVE ACTION PREVENTED FURTHER COMPLICATIONS AND SAVED HIS  
20 UNCLE'S LIFE. SO, ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD,  
21 WE'D LIKE TO THANK, PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO JONATHAN IN  
22 RECOGNITION OF HIS QUICK AND DECISIVE THINKING AND LIFESAVING  
23 ACTIONS. WE'D ADD THAT HIS UNCLE IS STILL IN THE HOSPITAL  
24 BECAUSE THERE WERE SOME OTHER ISSUES AS IT RELATED TO THE  
25 INCIDENT BUT HE IS ALIVE AND RECOVERING DUE TO THIS YOUNG



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1 MAN'S QUICK THINKING, FORESIGHT, AND JUST STAYING CALM UNDER  
2 VERY EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES. SO, JONATHAN, ON BEHALF OF  
3 MYSELF AND THE BOARD AND ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY, WE  
4 JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE AND THANK YOU  
5 FOR YOUR QUICK THINKING AND I KNOW THAT YOUR UNCLE THANKS YOU  
6 AS WELL VERY, VERY MUCH AS WELL AS YOUR FAMILY.

7 CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE ]

8

9 **JONATHAN SEDANO:** I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND  
10 I WANT TO THANK THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR BEING THERE AND THE  
11 PARAMEDICS. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE ONE?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY'RE COMING AT 11:00, THE NISEI COURT.  
16 THEY'RE AT CITY HALL NOW.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES?

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20 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE THE BOARD, I'M SURE THAT  
21 YOU'VE RECEIVED THE E-MAIL THAT-- ABOUT CAPTAIN SPARKES, THAT  
22 HE HAS PASSED AWAY. HE WAS RIDING HIS BICYCLE ON HIS WAY EARLY  
23 THIS MORNING, HE RIDES PRIOR TO GOING TO WORK. HE IS AN  
24 OFFICER AT HARBOR. HE WAS TAKEN TO HARBOR, WHERE HE EXPIRED



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1 BUT CERTAINLY I WANTED TO BRING IT TO THE ATTENTION OF  
2 EVERYONE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YEAH, WE DID GET THE E-MAIL AND  
5 OBVIOUSLY A TRAGEDY FOR THE COUNTY FAMILY AND HIS FAMILY AND  
6 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND  
7 HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE DEPARTMENT. OKAY. YOUR PRESENTATION IS  
8 COMING LATER, THEN, MIKE?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT 11:00. THEY'RE COMING FROM CITY HALL.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. YOU'RE UP FIRST ON SPECIALS SO  
13 WE'LL PROCEED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, I'D LIKE, FOR NEXT WEEK, TO INTRODUCE  
16 THIS FOLLOWING MOTION. FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS, A PRIVATE AIR  
17 PARK HAS BEEN LOCATED IN AGUA DULCE. IT WAS AUTHORIZED IN THE  
18 LATE 1950S BY A COUNTY PERMIT WHICH, DUE TO ITS AGE, DOES NOT  
19 INCLUDE THE LAND USE CONTROLS TYPICAL OF MODERN DAY ZONING  
20 APPROVALS. RECENTLY, THERE'S BEEN A NEW OPERATOR OF THE AIR  
21 PARK AND A SERIES OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND MANAGEMENT  
22 CHANGES HAS CAUSED A NEW AND UNFORESEEN IMPACTS UPON THE  
23 SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, RESIDENTS IN THE  
24 COMMUNITY HAVE VOICED CONCERNS ABOUT POTENTIALLY ADVERSE  
25 IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRAFFIC NOISE, STORM WATER RUN-





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1 OFF, AND DUST. MANY BELIEVE THAT THESE IMPACTS INTRUDE UPON  
2 OTHERWISE LOW DENSITY, QUIET, EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITIES. OF  
3 PARTICULAR CONCERN ARE THE IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH FILMING BY  
4 THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY WHICH IS PERMITTED SEPARATELY BY  
5 THE E.I.D.C. ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.  
6 INVESTIGATIONS BY COUNTY COURT ENFORCEMENT STAFF HAVE  
7 IDENTIFIED A SERIES OF VIOLATIONS OF PERMIT CONDITIONS. AS A  
8 RESULT, THE COUNTY HAS ISSUED SEVERAL NOTICES OF VIOLATION TO  
9 THE OPERATOR OF THE AIR PARK. AS AN ADDITIONAL PRECAUTION, THE  
10 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING RECENTLY RETAINED AN OUTSIDE  
11 MONITOR TO INSPECT THE AIR PARK ON A REGULAR BASIS AND ISSUE  
12 WRITTEN REPORTS CONCERNING COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY CONDITIONS,  
13 CODES, AND PROCEDURES. GIVEN THE CHANGE OCCURRING AT THE AGUA  
14 DULCE AIR PARK THAT MAY ENDANGER PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY TO  
15 THE COMMUNITY, THE LACK OF ADEQUATE CONTROLS IN THE UNDERLYING  
16 PERMIT, THE PENDING NOTICES OF VIOLATION, THE STEADY COURSE OF  
17 CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY THE RESIDENTS THAT THE USE OF THE  
18 A.D.A.P. MAY CONSTITUTE A NUISANCE, IT'S CLEARLY TIME FOR  
19 COUNTY DECISION MAKERS TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW  
20 THESE MATTERS AND DETERMINE IF ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS ARE  
21 WARRANTED. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NEXT WEEK  
22 DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO TAKE THE NECESSARY  
23 STEPS TO CONDUCT A MODIFICATION REVOCATION HEARING FOR THE  
24 AGUA DULCE AIRPORT, DIRECT THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO  
25 HOLD A NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING IN OR NEAR THE AGUA DULCE



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1 COMMUNITY AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE. THE HEARING SHALL BE  
2 CONDUCTED AT LOCATION AND TIME CONVENIENT TO RESIDENTS AND  
3 REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF SHALL CONSULT ON THESE DETAILS WITH  
4 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL IN THE FIFTH  
5 DISTRICT, DIRECT THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
6 WORKS TO ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IN  
7 RESEARCHING ALL PERMIT CODE COMPLIANCE ISSUES RELATIVE TO THE  
8 AGUA DULCE AIR PARK AND TO FURTHER ASSIST REGIONAL PLANNING IN  
9 THE PREPARATION OF A STAFF REPORT FOR THIS HEARING. REQUEST  
10 THAT THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REVIEW  
11 THE IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH FILM SHOOTS AT THE AGUA DULCE AIR  
12 PARK AND SUGGEST POTENTIAL CORRECTIVE CONDITIONS THAT THE  
13 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CAN CONSIDER DURING A  
14 MODIFICATION REVOCATION HEARING. SO THAT WILL BE FOR NEXT  
15 WEEK, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WOULD LIKE TO CALL UP NUMBER 21. WE HAVE  
16 PEOPLE FROM THE AUDIENCE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP ON THIS.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DO YOU WISH TO HAVE THE DEPARTMENT SPEAK  
19 FIRST OR DO YOU JUST HAVE THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE CAN HAVE THE DEPARTMENT AND THEN HAVE THE  
22 PUBLIC.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL GET THE DEPARTMENT. ARE THEY  
2   HERE? OKAY. DO WE HAVE ANYONE HERE FROM... HERE WE GO. OKAY.  
3   IF YOU'LL PROCEED WITH YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

4

5   **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** I'M ELLEN FITZGERALD, SUPERVISING REGIONAL  
6   PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. I THINK WE  
7   ALSO NEED OUR COUNTY COUNSEL REPRESENTED HERE AS WELL, WHO HAS  
8   PREPARED THE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL. COUNTY  
9   COUNSEL, PETER GUTIERREZ.

10

11   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. DO YOU HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS, MR.  
12   ANTONOVICH, OF THE DEPARTMENT OR...

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14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, WHY DON'T-- WE CAN HAVE THE PUBLIC WHO  
15   HAS SIGNED UP SPEAK AND THE DEPARTMENT CAN RESPOND.

16

17   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE HAVE JANIE PLUMB AND VANESSA  
18   WATTERS. IF THEY'D COME FORWARD, PLEASE. OKAY. EITHER ONE OF  
19   YOU. JUST BE SURE YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND  
20   THEN PROCEED.

21

22   **VANESSA WATTERS:** MY NAME IS VANESSA WATTERS. I LIVE AT 21322  
23   SEQUOIA DRIVE IN CHATSWORTH. I HAVE A VERY BRIEF STATEMENT ON  
24   BEHALF OF SAVE CHATSWORTH, INC. IN THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO  
25   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH DATED AUGUST 9TH, 2004, SAVE CHATSWORTH



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1 EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT, IF ADDITIONAL MITIGATION MEASURES  
2 REQUESTED BY THE M.R.C.A. WERE INCORPORATED INTO THE FINAL  
3 SETTLEMENT AND EASEMENT AGREEMENTS REGARDING THE NORTHERN  
4 PROPERTY OWNERS' ACCESS RIGHTS IN THIS CASE, DEVELOPMENT TO  
5 THE NORTH WOULD BE EFFECTIVELY LIMITED. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE  
6 YOUR APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT TAKE NOTE THAT A PROMISED REVIEW  
7 OF THE FINAL DOCUMENTS IS PENDING BUT WE BELIEVE THAT, WITH  
8 THIS REVIEW, THIS ISSUE CAN BE COMPLETELY RESOLVED. THANK YOU.

9

10 **JANIE PLUMB:** JANIE PLUMB, 10755 DESOTO AVENUE, CHATSWORTH,  
11 LIVING SOUTH OF THIS ENTIRE PROJECT. I BELIEVE THAT THE ISSUES  
12 OF THE CORE RIDGE PROPERTIES LINKING THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS  
13 TO A LIMITATION ON THIS SITE, AS WELL AS THE DEER LAKE  
14 ADDITION, CAN BE ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED DURING PUBLIC REVIEW BY  
15 GROUPS, BY THE M.R.C.A., BY PRESIDIO, THE SANTA MONICA  
16 MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND I AM LOOKING  
17 FORWARD TO PARTICIPATING IN THIS. SECONDLY, THE CAREFUL  
18 ROUTING OF THE COUNTY MULTIUSE TRAIL SYSTEMS FROM CHATSWORTH  
19 THROUGH THE PRESIDIO DEVELOPMENT, AROUND AND PAST THE CORE  
20 RIDGE PRESIDIO PARCELS SHOULD BE SECURED THROUGH THE DOCUMENTS  
21 BEFORE YOU TODAY, AND WE'LL CONTINUE AND GREATLY CONTRIBUTE TO  
22 BRINGING WE WHO LIVE ON THE CHATSWORTH FLATS SOUTH OF THIS  
23 PROJECT EVER CLOSER TO OUR GOAL OF GALLOPING OFF INTO THE  
24 SUNSET TOWARD THE MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH REGIONAL PARK. THANK  
25 YOU, SIR.



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2   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. LET ME SAY, TO REFRESH THE BOARD'S  
3   MEMORY AT THE LAST PUBLIC HEARING THAT WE HELD ON DEER LAKE,  
4   THERE WERE PROPERTY OWNERS WHO HAD VOICED OBJECTIONS ABOUT  
5   BEING THE POTENTIAL FOR BEING DENIED ACCESS TO THEIR PROPERTY.  
6   ADDITIONALLY, SEVERAL OF THE RESIDENTS FROM CHATSWORTH  
7   EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS NORTH OF THE DEER  
8   LAKE PROPERTY AND, SINCE THAT TIME, THE PARTIES HAVE COME  
9   TOGETHER WITH THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION  
10   AUTHORITY TO RESOLVE THOSE OUTSTANDING ISSUES. THE RECREATION  
11   CONSERVATION AUTHORITY HAS ALREADY TAKEN STEPS TO APPROVE  
12   ACCESS ASSESSMENTS FOR TWO OF THE THREE PROPERTY OWNERS TO THE  
13   NORTH AND A THIRD EASEMENT IS IN PROCESS. THESE THREE PROPERTY  
14   OWNERS HAVE INDICATED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE MEASURE AND IT IS  
15   BECAUSE M.R.C.A. IS IMPLEMENTING THOSE ACCESS ISSUES. STAFF AT  
16   M.R.C.A. CONTINUES TO WORK WITH RESIDENTS OF CHATSWORTH,  
17   INCLUDING THE COMMUNITY GROUPS, INCLUDING SAVE CHATSWORTH, TO  
18   ENSURE THAT ADEQUATE MITIGATION MEASURES ARE INCORPORATED INTO  
19   THE EASEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO TRAILS. AS ANY  
20   PROPERTIES IN THE AREA ARE DEVELOPED IN THE FUTURE, THE COUNTY  
21   WILL SECURE ADEQUATE TRAIL EASEMENTS AS A CONDITION OF  
22   DEVELOPMENT. ON THE DEER LAKE PROPERTY ITSELF, THE DEER LAKE  
23   CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL DESIGNATE A 64-FOOT WIDE ACCESS  
24   EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS AND UTILITIES ACROSS A FUTURE  
25   X-STREET. THE EASEMENT IS GRANTED TO INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY OWN



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1 PROPERTY TO THE NORTH OF DEER LAKE AND THAT INCLUDES ACCESS TO  
2 ANY GATES THAT MAY BE CONSTRUCTED WITHIN DEER LAKE. THESE  
3 COMBINED ACTIONS ENSURE THAT THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY  
4 OWNERS ARE NOT BEING ABRIDGED BY THE ACTION THAT THE COUNTY IS  
5 UNDERTAKING TODAY AND NOTHING THAT THE COUNTY IS DOING IN  
6 APPROVING THIS PROJECT PROHIBITS ACCESS TO ADJOINING PROPERTY  
7 OWNERS. SIMILARLY, I'M CONFIDENT THAT THE CONCERNS OF  
8 CHATSWORTH RESIDENTS ARE BEING INCORPORATED AS MITIGATION  
9 MEASURES INTO THE AGREEMENTS AS NEGOTIATED BY THE MOUNTAIN  
10 RECREATIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY, AND I COMMEND THE STAFF  
11 OF THE M.R.C.A. AND THE INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS TO THE  
12 NORTH, MISS LINDA COREBRIDGE AND MICHAEL ANGELO AND MR. ED  
13 PETERS FOR WORKING TO A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION. ALSO, I'D  
14 LIKE TO PRAISE THE CHATSWORTH RESIDENTS, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF  
15 SAVE CHATSWORTH, MARK AND VANESSA WATTERS, JEAN PLUMB, MARTY  
16 WOHO AND ANNA COX, WHO VOLUNTEERED MANY HOURS TO WORK WITH THE  
17 COUNTY TO RESOLVE THESE AND OTHER ISSUES PERTAINING AND ALSO  
18 TO COUNTY STAFF AND TO PAUL NOVAK FROM MY STAFF AND PATTY  
19 FRIEDMAN. SO, WITH THAT, I'D MOVE THE MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN.

20  
21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 21 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
22 ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
23 ORDERED.





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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON MY ADJOURNMENTS, I WOULD  
2    LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT  
3    BUDSON. ROBERT BUDSON, MANY OF YOU MAY NOT KNOW, BUT IF YOU  
4    KNEW HIS NICKNAME, GYPSY BOOTS, EVERYBODY WOULD KNOW HIM.  
5    GYPSY WAS THE FUN-LOVING HEALTH FOOD ENTHUSIAST. HE WAS 89  
6    YEARS OLD. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING HIM AND HE HAD MANY  
7    TIMES VISITED THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, AND  
8    OTHER HEALTH STORES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND STATE. AND, AS  
9    YOU KNOW, HE WAS A VERY AVID RAIDERS FOOTBALL FAN AS WELL. AND  
10   HE BASICALLY PASSED AWAY WITH HIS BOOTS ON. HE WAS 89. HE WAS  
11   HEALTHY TO THE END AND HE IS SURVIVED BY A BROTHER AND TWO  
12   CHILDREN. ALSO RITA KATHERINE DAUGIRD, WHO PASSED AWAY AT HER  
13   HOME IN COVINA ON AUGUST 3RD. DR. EDWARD FURSTMAN, FAMILY  
14   CENTER DENTIST, PASSED AWAY AUGUST 6TH AT THE AGE OF 90. AN  
15   ARMY VETERAN, WHERE HE RAISED TO THE RANK OF MAJOR. HE WAS  
16   ALSO RECOGNIZED THROUGHOUT MANY OF THE DENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL  
17   ORGANIZATIONS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP TO THE COMMUNITY.  
18   AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 64 YEARS, BELVY AND HIS SON,  
19   SCOTT AND DAUGHTER, STACEY. JAMES NIXON WAS A FORMER INSPECTOR  
20   FOR LOCKHEED IN BURBANK FOR MORE THAN 25 YEARS, WAS A DEACON  
21   IN THE CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH AND ALSO ACTIVE IN THE  
22   N.A.A.C.P. AND THE SHRINER'S TEMPLE AND THE MASONIC LODGE. HE  
23   IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, HIS STEPSON, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN.  
24   MARY ANN NICHOLS, LIFELONG RESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
25   AND LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY IN SAUGUS.



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1 HOLLY HALSTED BALTHIS, WHO WAS REALLY A GREAT INSPIRATION TO  
2 ME. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95, AND SHE WAS DRIVING HER  
3 CAR TO THE END. HER HUSBAND'S UNCLE IS THE MAN WHO DEVELOPED  
4 GLENDALE, BRAND BOULEVARD, AND BRAND LIBRARY, EVERYTHING IS  
5 NAMED AFTER BRAND. WELL, SHE HAPPENED TO BE THE OLDEST ROSE  
6 QUEEN LIVING. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A., WORKED AS A  
7 SECRETARY FOR THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES, AND HER WHOLE LIFE WAS  
8 AROUND THAT ORGANIZATION, WHICH HAS DONE SO MUCH. SHE APPEARED  
9 EACH YEAR AT ALL OF THE EVENTS AND WAS A BIG MOTHER TO ALL OF  
10 THE GIRLS IN THEIR COURTS THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. SHE WAS  
11 MARRIED TO SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, FRANK BALTHIS, WHO PASSED  
12 AWAY, BUT SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON, FRANK, JR. HER SISTER  
13 PASSED AWAY, WHO WAS 89 YEARS OLD, OF CANCER, AND, FOUR DAYS  
14 LATER, HOLLY PASSED AWAY, BUT SHE WAS ACTIVE UNTIL THE END AND  
15 WOULD DRIVE FROM ORANGE COUNTY TO PASADENA EVERY NEW YEAR'S,  
16 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SEASON TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL OF THE EVENTS  
17 WITH THE GIRLS AND THE QUEEN AND THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES. SO A  
18 REAL INSPIRATION. ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND WHO PASSED AWAY AND THAT  
19 WAS PASTOR MENDRES LUCIUS BEREAL, AND HIS DAUGHTER, HE HAD  
20 GIVEN INVOCATIONS HERE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THE  
21 PAST, AS HIS DAUGHTER, PASTOR HARRIS, HAD DONE IN THE PAST. HE  
22 WAS 90 YEARS OLD. HE HAD, AT THE CHURCH, REPRESENTED THE  
23 PASADENA ALTADENA AREA, KIND OF A RECOGNITION SERVICE FOR HIM  
24 ABOUT FIVE WEEKS AGO. AND HE WAS FULL OF CHARM AND GOOD SPIRIT  
25 AND HE RECOGNIZED-- HE WAS-- HIS HEALTH WAS DETERIORATING BUT



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1 HE STILL HAD THE SPIRIT IN HIS HEART AND HE HAD RECOGNITION  
2 THAT HE HAD DONE A WONDERFUL JOB CARRYING OUT THE GREAT  
3 COMMISSION AS A PASTOR FOR ALL THESE YEARS AND THE CHURCH IS  
4 CONTINUING TO THRIVE AND DOING WELL. HE WAS A GOOD COMMUNITY  
5 LEADER IN THE PASADENA/ALTADENA AREA OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
6 WONDERFUL MAN. SO I MOVE WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THESE  
7 INDIVIDUALS.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM 23, AND DR.  
12 GARTHWAITE. WHILE THEY'RE COMING IN, I'D LIKE TO READ THIS  
13 OTHER MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK. WATER SUPPLY IN THE ANTELOPE  
14 VALLEY IS A MATTER OF SIGNIFICANT AND GROWING CONCERN, GIVEN  
15 THE LIMITATIONS OF THE AREA'S GROUNDWATER AND THE CONSEQUENT  
16 RELIANCE ON IMPORTED WATER SUPPLIES AND WATER TREATMENT  
17 FACILITIES. AS NEW DEVELOPMENT TAKES PLACE AND THE POPULATION  
18 CONTINUES TO GROW, THE VALLEY INCREASINGLY FACES THE  
19 POSSIBILITY OF WATER SUPPLIES THAT MAY BE INADEQUATE TO MEET  
20 THE NEEDS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD WOULD DIRECT THE  
21 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK  
22 WITHIN THREE WEEKS ON OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY TO  
23 IMPOSE NEW FEES ON NEW DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
24 FINANCING EXPANDED WATER DELIVERY SYSTEMS IN TREATMENT



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1 FACILITIES TO MEET THE CURRENT AND FUTURE NEEDS IN THE  
2 ANTELOPE VALLEY. THAT WILL BE FOR NEXT WEEK, MR. CHAIRMAN.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DR. GARTHWAITE, ON ITEM 23, THE PROGRAM MOVED  
7 TO THE COUNTY, AND THE QUESTION IS, WHY AREN'T THE PROGRAMS  
8 MOVED FROM DREW TO COUNTY AS IT IS WITH ALL OTHER HOSPITALS AS  
9 THE BOARD HAD REQUESTED?

10

11 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WE'RE WORKING WITH DREW UNIVERSITY NOW  
12 TO HAVE THAT DISCUSSION. WE HAD ENTERTAINED THAT DURING OUR  
13 NEGOTIATION PROCESS, HAD LEFT ROOM TO DO THAT BUT, IN RESPONSE  
14 TO SEVERAL BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS, WE'VE GONE  
15 BACK TO DREW AND WE'RE WORKING WITH THEM NOW TO HAVE THAT  
16 DIALOGUE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FACULTY COMPETENCY EVALUATIONS TO FIX THOSE  
19 CLINICAL PROBLEMS, WOULD IT NOT BE OBVIOUS THAT WE EVALUATE  
20 THE FACULTY TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE COMPETENT? WE WERE TOLD  
21 THAT 30% WERE NOT. AND WHY DOES THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT NOT  
22 ADDRESS THOSE SPECIFICS ON EVALUATION?

23

24 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** THE EVALUATION OF CLINICAL COMPETENCE,  
25 NOT ACADEMIC COMPETENCE OR TEACHING COMPETENCE, CLINICAL



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1 COMPETENCE IS REALLY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MEDICAL CENTER.  
2 IN A MEMO TO THIS BOARD A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, I OUTLINED SOME  
3 ADDITIONAL AUGMENTATIONS TO OUR QUALITY ASSURANCE PRACTICES  
4 THAT OUR DEPARTMENT WILL PURSUE. ONE OF THOSE-- ONE OF THE KEY  
5 ASPECTS OF THAT IS AN ENHANCEMENT AND ASSESSMENT OF THE  
6 EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING PROCESS,  
7 OUR CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING PROCESS IS THE WAY IN WHICH  
8 A HOSPITAL ASSESSES THE ONGOING CURRENT CLINICAL COMPETENCE OF  
9 ITS MEDICAL STAFF. SO WE ANTICIPATE WE'LL HAVE THAT ASSESSMENT  
10 AVAILABLE WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. I LAID OUT A TIME FRAME  
11 IN THAT DOCUMENT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF-- THAT SHOULD BE SPELLED OUT IN THE  
14 CONTRACT?

15

16 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** THE CONTRACT VERY CLEARLY SPELLS OUT  
17 THAT ALL FACULTY MEMBERS AND EVERYONE WHO SATISFIES THE  
18 CONTRACT FROM DREW UNIVERSITY MUST ADHERE TO ALL HOSPITAL AND  
19 COUNTY POLICIES. THE COUNTY POLICIES AND HOSPITAL POLICIES  
20 REQUIRE THAT ALL PHYSICIANS ARE CREDENTIALLED AND PRIVILEGED  
21 AND THEN REPRIVILEGED EVERY TWO YEARS. AND SO THERE IS AN  
22 ONGOING PROCESS TO ASSESS THE CURRENT CLINICAL COMPETENCE OF  
23 STAFF. I THINK THAT YOU COULD MAKE THE ARGUMENT THAT MANY  
24 HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES DON'T DO THAT PROCESS  
25 AS CAREFULLY AND AS WELL AS IT SHOULD BE DONE AND THE PROPOSAL



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1 THAT I SENT TO THE BOARD FOR THE DEPARTMENT IS TO ASSURE THAT,  
2 IN ALL OF OUR FACILITIES, THAT IS A RIGOROUS PROCESS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU SAID THE 30% THAT WERE NOT AS COMPETENT  
5 COME UNDER THE CLINICAL SIDE OR THE TEACHING SIDE?

6

7 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I HAVE TO GO BACK AND LOOK EXACT-  
8 - THE QUOTATION ABOUT 30%. WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THAT WE HAVE  
9 SEEN, IN MANY OF THE REPORTS BACK FROM THE AMERICAN-- THE  
10 A.C.G.M.E., THE INDIVIDUAL THAT OVERSEES THE GRADUATE MEDICAL  
11 EDUCATION, WE'VE SEEN-- THEY HAD CONCERNS ABOUT THE ACADEMIC  
12 PERFORMANCE OF THE FACULTY AND SO WE'VE INCLUDED SIGNIFICANT  
13 NEW LANGUAGE, I BELIEVE, ABOUT MEASURING THE QUALITY OF THE  
14 ACADEMICS AND THE TEACHING, WHICH IS VERY MUCH A DREW  
15 RESPONSIBILITY, AND I THINK HAS BEEN AUGMENTED IN THIS  
16 PROPOSED CONTRACT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE WILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO ENSURE THAT  
19 THERE IS COMPETENCE AND, IF THERE ISN'T, WE HAVE THE ABILITY  
20 TO MAKE THE CORRECTION, THE REPLACEMENT?

21

22 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY BELIEVE THAT. IT'S  
23 VERY CLEAR THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO EXCLUDE FROM THE  
24 HOSPITAL ANYONE WE DON'T BELIEVE IS CLINICALLY COMPETENT AND





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1 WE HAVE SIGNIFICANT NEW MEASURES AND INCENTIVES WITHIN THE  
2 CONTRACT TO ASSURE THE ACADEMIC QUALITY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE TO PARITY AND STIPENDS AND PAY FOR  
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE PHYSICIANS COUNTYWIDE, YOU  
6 HAVE ONE PHYSICIAN, DR. LOCKE, WHO MAKES \$600,000 A YEAR IN  
7 TAXPAYER MONEY BUT HE ONLY PERFORMED SEVEN SURGERIES LAST  
8 YEAR. WOULD IT NOT BE TIME NOW, WITH LEVERAGE FROM THE COUNTY  
9 PERSPECTIVE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS OF THE CONTRACT, THAT WE  
10 ADDRESS THESE ISSUES BECAUSE DOCTORS AT DREW ARE MAKING MORE,  
11 ON AVERAGE, THAN OTHER DOCTORS?

12

13 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, WE ARE CURRENTLY UNDERGOING A  
14 VERY CAREFUL EVALUATION OF THAT IN RESPONSE TO SOME OF THE  
15 QUESTIONS, I THINK, YOUR OFFICE HAS PREVIOUSLY ASKED ME. WE  
16 WENT BACK AND ASKED ABOUT SALARY, AND I WAS TOLD THAT HIS  
17 SALARY WAS SIGNIFICANTLY LESS THAN THAT BUT STILL A PRETTY  
18 DECENT SALARY. BUT YOU HAVE TO KEEP IN MIND THAT THE MEDIAN  
19 SALARY FOR NEUROSURGEONS, WHICH DR. LOCKE IS, IS VERY MUCH IN  
20 THE RANGE OF HIS CURRENT OVERALL SALARY, WHICH I THINK IS  
21 480,000, NOT 600.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT ARE THE SALARIES OF NEUROSURGEONS IN  
24 THE OTHER FACILITIES?

25



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1   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I CAN PROVIDE THAT LATER. I DON'T HAVE  
2   THAT ON TOP OF MY-- OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD BUT...

3

4   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ALSO THE NUMBER OF SURGERIES THAT THEY  
5   PERFORM A YEAR.

6

7   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** RIGHT. YOUR QUESTION, THOUGH, IS A  
8   VALID ONE AND WE HAVE BEEN UNDERGOING AN ANALYSIS. IN FACT, WE  
9   ASKED THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO GIVE US A SENSE OF HOW THE  
10   CONTRACT WAS BEING ADMINISTERED AND WE'RE FINISHING UP SOME  
11   DETAILS, OR HE'S FINISHING UP DETAILS THAT WILL BE PROVIDED,  
12   AND I THINK, IN THE FAIRLY NEAR FUTURE, WE ANTICIPATE THAT,  
13   DURING OUR EVALUATION OF ADDITIONAL EFFICIENCIES AT KING DREW,  
14   WE'RE LOOKING AT PHYSICIAN STAFFING AND WORKLOAD AND  
15   PRODUCTIVITY. SO THOSE WILL BE PART OF THE ONGOING EVALUATION  
16   OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE MADE AN EMPHASIS UPON DR. SATCHER'S  
19   REPORT, AND NOT HAVING ANY CHANGES UNTIL HIS REPORT CAME IN.  
20   HOWEVER, WE'RE NOT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT DR.  
21   SATCHER HAD MADE. BUT, IF DREW CAN'T MANAGE THE TRAINING  
22   PROGRAMS THAT THEY ALREADY HAVE, DOES IT MAKE ANY SENSE THAT  
23   WE AREN'T PULLING ANY MONEY OUT OF THE AGREEMENT SINCE THERE  
24   ISN'T EVEN A RADIOLOGY OR SURGERY PROGRAM OR AN N.I.C.U.



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1 FELLOWSHIP? INSTEAD, WE'RE ADDING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS MORE AT  
2 A TIME WHEN IT'S LIKELY THEY WILL LOSE EVEN MORE PROGRAMS?

3

4 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, SEVERAL ISSUES. FIRST OF ALL,  
5 WE'RE NOT ADDING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS MORE. THERE'S AN  
6 OPPORTUNITY FOR CONTRACTING FOR SERVICES WE'RE CURRENTLY  
7 BUYING OUTSIDE OF THIS AGREEMENT AND OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY  
8 EMPLOYED PHYSICIANS. SO THERE IS ACTUALLY A DECREASE IN THE  
9 OVERALL AGREEMENT BY 400,000. I WOULD ASK YOU TO KEEP IN MIND  
10 THAT, AS A RESULT OF SOME OF THE LOSSES OF PROGRAMS AND POOR  
11 LEADERSHIP, APPROXIMATELY 10 PEOPLE HAVE, IN LEADERSHIP  
12 POSITIONS, HAVE BEEN-- BEEN EITHER RELEASED OR HAVE STEPPED  
13 DOWN AND WE ARE AT A CRITICAL TIME IN NEED FOR RECRUITING  
14 ADDITIONAL NEW LEADERSHIP TO THE MEDICAL CENTER AND TO THE  
15 UNIVERSITY AND TEACHING PROGRAMS. SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT,  
16 SINCE SOME OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO WE'VE TAKEN OUT OF  
17 LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HAVE NOT TOTALLY CLEARED THE COUNTY OR  
18 DREW ROLES YET FOR VARIOUS LEGAL AND PERSONNEL REASONS, THAT  
19 THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO GO AFTER EVERY LAST DOLLAR BUT TO HAVE  
20 A SMALL INVESTMENT FOR THE NEXT YEAR OR SO AND RECRUITING THE  
21 RIGHT KIND OF LEADERSHIP THAT CAN LEAD TO BETTER OVERALL CARE  
22 AND TEACHING AT THE MEDICAL CENTER. I WOULD ALSO NOTE THAT DR.  
23 SATCHER'S GROUP, WHICH I SAT ON, BELIEVED THAT THE NUMBER OF  
24 RESIDENTS WAS TOO LARGE FOR THE SIZE OF THE HOSPITAL. WE HAVE  
25 CAREFULLY REVIEWED EACH PROGRAM AND THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE



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1 DOING THE BEST ARE THE SMALLER PROGRAMS IN SPECIALTIES OF  
2 MEDICINE, AND THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE NEEDED THE MOST, AND I  
3 THINK NEED REVAMPING, NOT CURTAILMENT, ARE SOME OF THOSE IN  
4 MEDICINE AND FAMILY PRACTICE WHERE THE NEED IN THE COMMUNITY  
5 IS THE GREATEST. DR. MICHAEL DRAKE, WHO IS THE CURRENT VICE  
6 PRESIDENT FOR MEDICAL AFFAIRS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
7 SYSTEM, CHAIRS AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE MEDICAL  
8 EDUCATION, AND HE HAS AGREED AND IS IN THE PROCESS OF LOOKING  
9 AT THE NUMBERS OF RESIDENTS. AND WE THINK WE CAN HAVE AN  
10 ANSWER AND RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTS  
11 BEFORE THE MATCH GOES IN FOR THIS FALL. AND THAT'S THE  
12 EARLIEST WE COULD POSSIBLY MAKE A CHANGE ANYWAY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE TO THE ISSUE THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING  
15 ABOUT ON ACCOUNTABILITY, IT APPEARS THAT, IN THE NEW  
16 AGREEMENT, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES IN HOLDING  
17 DREW ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE.

18

19 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I RESPECTFULLY DISAGREE THAT  
20 THERE AREN'T SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES. WE CLEARLY HAVE PROVIDED, IN  
21 THIS AGREEMENT, FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED. WE HAVE  
22 INSTITUTED A NEW TIMECARD MECHANISM. WE HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT  
23 OTHER AUDITABLE TRAILS THAT WE THINK WE CAN USE TO BE ABLE TO  
24 ASSURE THE PUBLIC THAT WE ARE PAYING, THAT WE'RE GETTING WHAT  
25 WE'RE PAYING FOR, AND THAT IT'S OF HIGH QUALITY. SO I THINK



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1   THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT NEW CHANGES. WE ANTICIPATE THAT, IF WE  
2   DON'T GET THE KINDS AND TYPES OF SERVICES THAT WE BELIEVE  
3   WE'RE PROVIDING, AND OF THE RIGHT QUALITY, THAT THERE ARE  
4   MECHANISMS FOR US TO WITHHOLD SOME OF THE PAYMENT FOR THOSE  
5   SERVICES. SO THAT WE THINK THIS IS SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT  
6   THAN IN THE PAST AND IT'S THE KIND OF SANCTIONS THAT ACTUALLY  
7   WORK THE BEST IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON YOUR RESTRICTIONS ON THE TWO-MILLION-  
10   DOLLAR SUPPLEMENTAL POOL, HOW DO YOU JUSTIFY GIVING THEM TWO  
11   MILLION ADDITIONAL AT YOUR DISCRETION?

12

13   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** THEY WILL NOT BE GETTING ANY ADDITIONAL  
14   DOLLARS. THIS IS NOT MONEY THAT THEY CAN JUST GET. THEY MUST  
15   PROVIDE CLINICAL SERVICES, THEY MUST PROVIDE CLINICAL SERVICES  
16   THAT WERE OTHERWISE SPENDING MONEY FROM PRIVATE PRACTICE  
17   PHYSICIANS, PHYSICIAN REGISTRIES AND GROUPS OF PHYSICIAN FOR  
18   THOSE SERVICES. IT'S PRIMARILY IN THE SPECIALTY OF  
19   ANESTHESIOLOGY. SO WHAT WE DO NOW IS, OUT OF HOSPITAL DOLLARS,  
20   WE CONTRACT FOR ANESTHESIOLOGIST. THIS WOULD SIMPLY MOVE THAT  
21   OVER AND WE WOULD CONTRACT FOR THE ANESTHESIOLOGIST THROUGH  
22   THE UNIVERSITY INSTEAD OF THROUGH PRIVATE GROUPS. THE  
23   ADVANTAGE IS, WE THINK, THAT THEY CAN-- IF DREW STEPS UP TO  
24   THE PLATE ON THIS, THAT THEY COULD USE THAT TO RECRUIT YOUNG  
25   FACULTY MEMBERS AND THEN PUT TOGETHER AN ACADEMIC PACKAGE THAT



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1 WOULD BE, YOU KNOW, PERHAPS HALFTIME, WOULD BE HALFTIME  
2 CLINICAL UNDER A CONTRACT AND THEN HALFTIME ACADEMIC,  
3 INCLUDING TEACHING AND RESEARCH. THAT'S THE WAY A LOT OF  
4 UNIVERSITIES DO IT. THIS GIVES THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE  
5 AND AUGMENT A FACULTY THAT WOULD BE VERY BENEFICIAL TO THE  
6 SCHOOL.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE OTHER HOSPITALS, OLIVE VIEW, U.S.C.,  
9 HARBOR, U.C.L.A., THEY HAVE THAT SAME...

10

11 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, PRIMARILY AT U.S.C. WHERE WE  
12 CONTRACT FOR CONSIDERABLE NUMBERS OF CLINICAL SERVICES. AT  
13 HARBOR U.C.L.A., WE DON'T HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF DIRECT  
14 CONTRACTS FOR CLINICAL SERVICES. AND OLIVE VIEW IS QUITE  
15 DIFFERENT IN THEIR ACADEMIC RELATIONSHIP BECAUSE MOST OF THOSE  
16 RESIDENTS ARE PRIMARILY U.C.L.A. RESIDENTS WHO ROTATE THROUGH  
17 OLIVE VIEW.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DOES THE DEPARTMENT PAY DREW UNIVERSITY'S  
20 DEAN SALARY AND LIBRARY COSTS, WHEREAS OTHER MEDICAL  
21 AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS DON'T HAVE THIS TYPE OF ENHANCEMENT?

22

23 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, IT TURNS OUT THAT I THINK I  
24 PRESENTED THE DATA INCOMPLETELY IN THE PAST. AND, FOLLOWING  
25 SOME OF THE DISCUSSIONS I'VE HAD WITH YOUR OFFICE, GONE BACK





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1 AND HAVE LOOKED AT OUR LIBRARY COSTS AND SOME OF OUR OTHER  
2 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ACROSS OUR DIFFERENT AGREEMENTS. IT TURNS  
3 OUT, FOR INSTANCE, AT COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, WE HAVE  
4 TWO LIBRARIES, ONE IN THE MAIN MEDICAL CENTER AND ONE AT  
5 WOMEN'S HOSPITAL, AND, AT HARBOR U.C.L.A., WE ALSO HAVE A  
6 LIBRARY. IN BOTH THOSE OTHER INSTANCES, WE ALSO PROVIDE  
7 SUPPORT STAFF TO THE OFFICES FOR-- THAT RUN LARGE PROGRAMS, SO  
8 THERE MAY BE SECRETARIAL OR OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT. IN  
9 OUR OTHER AGREEMENTS, THAT SUPPORT FUNCTION IS OUT OF COUNTY  
10 DOLLARS. THOSE ARE COUNTY EMPLOYEES WITH THEIR ASSIGNED TASKS  
11 TO SUPPORT THE RESIDENCY PROGRAMS. IN THE DREW AGREEMENT, WE  
12 SUPPLIED VERY LITTLE COUNTY SUPPORT BUT WE PROVIDED THOSE  
13 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS THROUGH THE CONTRACT. I'M CURRENTLY,  
14 I SHOULD HAVE BY FRIDAY, ACCORDING TO OUR FINANCIAL GROUP, A  
15 BETTER SPREADSHEET THAT LAYS OUT THOSE RELATIONSHIPS A LOT  
16 BETTER. SUFFICE IT TO SAY THAT ALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD  
17 COSTS COME OUT A LOT CLOSER ACROSS OUR AGREEMENTS WHEN YOU  
18 TAKE EVERYTHING INTO ACCOUNT, AND I APOLOGIZE FOR NOT BEING  
19 ABLE TO PRESENT THAT AS WELL AS I THINK WE'LL BE ABLE TO IN  
20 THE FUTURE BUT, UNFORTUNATELY, WE'VE DONE IT A LITTLE  
21 DIFFERENTLY HISTORICALLY AND IT DO-- IT IS A LITTLE CONFUSING,  
22 AND I THINK WE'LL BE ABLE TO SHOW YOU THAT EASILY THIS FRIDAY.  
23  
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DOES THE KING DREW MEDICAL AFFILIATION  
25 NOT HAVE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE ON ACADEMIC PHYSICIAN DISCIPLINES,



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1 THE PROCESS OF MEASURING PERFORMANCE OF QUALITY CARE? BECAUSE,  
2 IN THE AGREEMENT, THERE IS NO ACCOUNTABILITY SPECIFICALLY  
3 STIPULATED. YOU DO REFERENCE PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT TOOLS BUT  
4 THOSE ARE NOT IN THE CONTRACT, THEY'RE ONLY AS EXHIBITS.

5

6 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** GENERALLY, THE ASSESSMENT OF ACADEMIC  
7 PERFORMANCE AND THE ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN WOULD BE BY THE  
8 EMPLOYER AGAINST THE EMPLOYEE, WHICH WOULD BE DREW AGAINST--  
9 VERSUS-- WOULD BE DREW ACTIONS TAKEN AGAINST THEIR FACULTY.  
10 MOST MEDICAL SCHOOLS ARE FAIRLY STRICT AND I KNOW AT LEAST IN  
11 THE FACULTY THAT ADHERES TO THE U.C.L.A. PROMOTION AND TENURE  
12 PROCESS, THAT THE REVIEW OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAS BEEN FAIRLY  
13 RIGOROUS IN THE PAST. WHETHER OR NOT THAT APPLIES-- I DON'T  
14 BELIEVE THAT HAS APPLIED TO ALL PHYSICIANS AT DREW BUT ALL  
15 THOSE THAT CERTAINLY WERE IN THE PROMOTION TRACK AT DREW, THEY  
16 HAVE BEEN, I THINK, RIGOROUSLY REVIEWED. WHAT WE NEED TO GET  
17 IS MORE PHYSICIANS INTO THAT TRACK.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME MAKE THIS MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
20 MEMBERS. THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES IS REQUESTING THAT  
21 ITEM 23 RELATED TO THE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN DREW  
22 UNIVERSITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES BE REFERRED  
23 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THAT THE TERMINATION DATES OF THE  
24 CURRENT AGREEMENT BE EXTENDED FOR 90 DAYS TO ALLOW THE  
25 DEPARTMENT TO ADDRESS THE NUMBER OF CONCERNS RAISED BY OUR



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1 BOARD. IT'S QUESTIONABLE AS TO WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT'S DESIRE  
2 TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT THAT PROVIDES ADDITIONAL FUNDING  
3 FOR DREW IN THE HOPE THAT IT WILL SHORE UP THE UNIVERSITY IS  
4 APPROPRIATE AS PROPOSED. THE ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES IN THE  
5 CONTRACT BEFORE US ARE LACKING IN THAT THE SANCTIONS INCLUDED  
6 CANNOT REASONABLY BE TRIGGERED SINCE THERE ARE NO CLEAR-CUT  
7 CRITERIA, BENCHMARKS, OR MONITORING. THIS APPROACH IS  
8 SHORTSIGHTED AND PUTS THE COUNTY AND OUR PATIENTS AT RISK. IT  
9 FALLS SHORT OF A RADICAL OVERHAUL OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
10 DREW AND THE COUNTY AND OFFERS NO EVIDENCE OF THE REASSESSMENT  
11 OF THE ENTIRE ACADEMIC PROGRAM, INCLUDING THE STREAMLINING AND  
12 RECONFIGURATION OF SPECIALTY PROGRAMS AND RESIDENCIES THAT WAS  
13 CALLED FOR BY DR. SATCHER'S TASK FORCE ON GRADUATE MEDICAL  
14 EDUCATION. THESE ISSUES THAT ARE MENTIONED ARE SIMPLY  
15 AGREEMENTS TO WORK ON IN THE FUTURE. THIS IS TOO VITAL TO NOT  
16 ESTABLISH A CLEAR DIRECTION FOR CHANGE. I WOULD MOVE THAT THE  
17 BOARD ACCEPT THE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE GREEN  
18 SHEET AND AMEND TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS RELATED TO THE  
19 FOLLOWING: ESTABLISHMENT OF CRITERIA TO EVALUATE COMPETENCY OF  
20 FACULTY IN TERMS OF CLINICAL CARE AND ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE,  
21 ESTABLISHMENT OF REASONABLE ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARDS AND  
22 ASSOCIATED SANCTIONS BASED ON BENCHMARKS AND PLANS TO ENSURE  
23 APPROPRIATE MONITORING, IMMEDIATELY INITIATE ACTION TO RETURN  
24 SPONSORSHIP OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS TO THE COUNTY FROM DREW, AS  
25 IS IN THE PRACTICE AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S U.S.C. AND HARBOR'S



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1 U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTERS, ESTABLISHMENT OF A DETAILED PLAN AND  
2 TIME LINE TO ASSESS AND RECONFIGURE RESIDENCY PROGRAMS AS  
3 OUTLINED IN THE SATCHER TASKFORCE REPORT, ESTABLISH A SPECIFIC  
4 RATIONAL ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY FOR STIPENDS FUNDED THROUGH  
5 THE CONTRACT TO ADDRESS PARODY AND EQUITY ISSUES ACROSS THE  
6 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES, AND PROVIDE AN  
7 ANALYSIS ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS INCLUDED IN THE AGREEMENT  
8 AND COMPARISON OF THESE COSTS IN RELATIONS TO THE COUNTY'S  
9 AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND  
10 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** YES, DR. GARTHWAITE, I'VE GONE THROUGH SOME OF  
15 THESE WITH YOU WITH YOU. I DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY FOR ME  
16 TO GO BACK OVER THERE. I MET WITH YOU INDIVIDUALLY AND POINTED  
17 OUT ALL OF THE THINGS IN THE CONTRACT THAT ARE OF CONCERN TO  
18 ME AND THERE ARE A NUMBER OF THEM THAT I THINK, AND THAT'S WHY  
19 IT'S BEING CONTINUED, SO THAT YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REPLY  
20 TO THEM. HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ONE QUESTION, AND THAT  
21 IS, WHEN ARE WE GOING TO HAVE AN ADMINISTRATOR AT MARTIN  
22 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL? NOW, WE HAD A PROPOSED CONSULTANT  
23 CONTRACT FOR A PERSON TO COME IN WHO WOULD FULL TIME BE  
24 STATIONED THERE AT THE HOSPITAL TO LOOK AT ALL THE ISSUES  
25 THERE, AND I WAS REALLY JUST ABSOLUTELY JUST AMAZED IF AN



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1 ADMINISTRATOR DIDN'T KNOW IF THERE WAS A HOLE IN THE BUILDING.  
2 AND, WHEN I READ THAT, WHEN THEY CAME THROUGH-- AND IT WAS THE  
3 C.M.S., CAME THROUGH, THEY FOUND SOME OF THESE THINGS THAT  
4 WERE PROBLEMS WITH THE FACILITY. NOW, I GET THESE LETTERS FROM  
5 PEOPLE SAYING, "WE DON'T HAVE A FULL-TIME ADMINISTRATOR  
6 THERE," THAT THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATOR IS DOING TWO JOBS. HE'S  
7 AT MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL BUT HE'S ALSO ASSIGNED TO  
8 ANOTHER HOSPITAL, SO THAT, IN FACT, WHAT WE HAVE AT A VERY  
9 TROUBLED HOSPITAL IS SOMEONE PART TIME. NOW, I WANT TO FIND  
10 OUT, WHAT ARE WE DOING? WHERE ARE WE GOING? WE NEED AN  
11 ADMINISTRATOR THERE IN ORDER TO LOOK AT SOME OF THESE  
12 PROBLEMS. WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE ACTUAL  
13 FACILITY. YOU KNOW, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT DREW AND SOME OF THE  
14 PHYSICIANS AND THE ACADEMICS, THAT IS WITHIN THE MEDICAL  
15 SCHOOL, BUT THE ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO THE HOSPITAL ARE OUR  
16 ISSUES, AND THEY HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED.

17

18 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** IF I COULD JUST TO ADDRESS THE HOLES.  
19 THE IMPRESSION THAT'S LEFT IS, IF YOU'RE WALKING AROUND, YOU  
20 WOULD SEE A HOLE IN THE CEILING OR A HOLE IN THE WALL. THESE  
21 ARE NOT WHAT WAS FOUND. IF YOU LOOK UP UNDER SUSPENDED  
22 CEILINGS OR IN ELEVATOR SHAFTS, WHEN CONTRACTORS GO INTO THOSE  
23 AREAS AND PULL NEW PIPES OR PULL NEW WIRES, THEY DRILL HOLES  
24 AND BECAUSE-- IN THOSE WALLS, THOSE HOLES PRESENT A FIRE  
25 HAZARD IF THEY'RE NOT CLOSED UP. SOME CONTRACTORS DID NOT



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1 CLOSE THOSE UP. THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR NOT FINDING THOSE BUT  
2 IT'S NOT QUITE AS OBVIOUS AS IT SOUNDS ON PAPER.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IF IT WAS OBVIOUS TO A PERSON WHO JUST CAME  
5 THROUGH TO MAKE A SURVEY...

6

7 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** NO, THEY LOOK UP UNDER THE TILES. THEY  
8 LIFT THE-- THE INSPECTION IS TO LOOK UP THERE. NOW, WE SHOULD  
9 HAVE FOUND THOSE.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT DON'T WE KNOW-- DON'T WE KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO  
12 DO THAT?

13

14 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** RIGHT. I'M NOT IN ANY WAY SUGGESTING WE  
15 SHOULDN'T HAVE FOUND THAT OURSELVES BUT THE IMPRESSION WAS  
16 LEFT...

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** AND MATTRESSES THAT ARE DIRTY, SHOULDN'T WE KNOW  
19 THAT?

20

21 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY, THERE'S NO EXCUSE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** THE FOOD THAT'S BEING PREPARED, IF IT'S NOT BEING  
24 KEPT AT THE RIGHT TEMPERATURE? IT SEEMS YOU HAVE A PERSON  
25 WHO'S IN CHARGE OF THE CAFETERIA, EVEN IF YOU CONTRACTED OUT





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1 FOR THE CAFETERIA, YOU HAVE SOMEONE WHO IS RESPONSIBLE. BUT AN  
2 ADMINISTRATOR OF A HOSPITAL LOOKS AT ALL OF THOSE THINGS. ALL  
3 OF THOSE THINGS.

4

5 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** AND MY QUESTION, AGAIN, IS WHERE ARE YOU ON  
8 FINDING AN ADMINISTRATOR?

9

10 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WE HAVE-- WE'RE WORKING WITH A  
11 HEADHUNTER GROUP TO IDENTIFY CANDIDATES NOW.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WHEN DO YOU EXPECT TO HAVE A LIST OF PEOPLE WHERE  
14 YOU CAN REPORT BACK TO US AND SAY THAT YOU HAVE A CERTAIN DATE  
15 THAT YOU THINK YOU'LL HAVE AN ADMINISTRATOR?

16

17 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I DON'T WANT TO PROMISE YOU A TIME BUT  
18 I'LL GET YOU THAT AS SOON AS WE GET...

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU, I CALLED LARRY KIDD WHEN I  
21 READ, IN TERMS OF 22 PEOPLE, THAT ONE NURSE IS LOOKING AT IN  
22 PSYCHIATRIC, WHEN WE'RE PAYING THEM A LOT OF MONEY, AND CAMDEN  
23 GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE. THEY ALSO SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL  
24 THESE POLICY ISSUES. AND, BEFORE WE EXTEND THEIR CONTRACT, I  
25 THINK WE SHOULD GET SOME DEFINITE UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY ARE



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1 PERFORMING. YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT ONLY THE MATTER OF THE NUMBER  
2 OF NURSES ASSIGNED IN PSYCHIATRIC. IT'S THIS OTHER THING IN  
3 TERMS OF POLICY AS FAR AS COUNTING SPONGES AND ALSO COUNTING  
4 CLAMPS. THAT SORT OF POLICY ISSUE IS SOMETHING, WHEN YOU PAY A  
5 COMPANY THE KIND OF CONSULTING FEES WE'RE PAYING, THEY SHOULD  
6 BE ABLE TO HAVE THAT POLICY AND KNOW WHETHER OR NOT IT'S BEING  
7 CARRIED OUT, BECAUSE THAT'S SO JUST MINOR-- I MEAN, IT'S NOT  
8 MINOR, BUT IT'S SO ROUTINE THAT I WOULD THINK IMMEDIATELY  
9 ANYONE WHO COMES IN AS A CONSULTANT, THEY'D LOOK AT THOSE  
10 THINGS. SO, SOMEONE HAS TO REALLY GET ON THE BALL HERE, AND WE  
11 CANNOT KEEP SHIFTING THE RESPONSIBILITY. THE DEPARTMENT OF  
12 HEALTHCARE SERVICES HAS RESPONSIBILITY THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED.  
13 IT HAS TO BE ADDRESSED, BECAUSE IT COMES RIGHT BACK HERE.

14

15 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I AGREE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE OF WEEKLY REPORTS.  
18 DAILY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THEN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** DR. GARTHWAITE, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO JOIN WITH  
21 MIKE IN HIS MOTION HERE AND GIVE HIM A SECOND BUT, MORE  
22 IMPORTANTLY, I AM JUST TOTALLY DISMAYED, AND YOU AND I HAVE  
23 TALKED AS WELL. I DON'T THINK YOU UNDERSTAND THE SERIOUSNESS  
24 OR HOW SERIOUSLY WE ARE TAKING THIS. I AM REALLY-- YOU KNOW,  
25 THE COMMUNITY OUT THERE THINKS WE WANT TO CLOSE M.L.K., AND



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1 WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO, AT LEAST I THINK THIS BOARD, HAS BEEN  
2 MORE THAN SUPPORTIVE OF TRYING TO FIND THOSE WAYS, THOSE  
3 RESOURCES, EVERY MECHANISM BY WHICH TO NOT ONLY KEEP THIS  
4 HOSPITAL GOING, BUT TO REALLY UPGRADE IT AT EVERY LEVEL  
5 POSSIBLE. AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT I DON'T FEEL THAT THE  
6 DEPARTMENT IS WORKING IN CONCERT WITH US IN THAT REGARD. I  
7 DON'T THINK YOU UNDERSTAND THE SEVERITY OF THESE KINDS OF  
8 ISSUES AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PUBLIC ASPECT OF WHAT WE'RE  
9 DOING. I REMEMBER DECEMBER OF LAST YEAR WHEN THIS WAS, FOR ME,  
10 JUST SHOCKING. I'VE BEEN TRYING TO STAY OUT OF IT, WE'VE  
11 ALWAYS HAD COMPLAINTS AND HEARD COMPLAINTS ABOUT M.L.K., BUT  
12 THESE FACTS NOW ARE EVEN MORE STAGGERING. BESIDES THE FACT  
13 THAT I DON'T SEE HOW THIS BOARD CAN SUPPORT THE AFFILIATION  
14 AGREEMENT THAT YOU PRESENTED TO US THE OTHER DAY. IT IS  
15 WOEFULLY LACKING IN SO MANY ASPECTS, IT JUST DOESN'T EVEN-- I  
16 DON'T THINK YOU'RE LISTENING TO US. I REALLY DO NOT. AND THE  
17 COMMUNITY HAS A RIGHT TO BE CONCERNED. IF YOU DON'T PAY  
18 ATTENTION TO US AS SUPERVISORS WHO ARE IN CHARGE OF THIS, I  
19 HATE TO SAY WHAT IS GOING ON AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL. MAYBE  
20 THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE FEELING. MY FRUSTRATION IS TREMENDOUS  
21 HERE. THIS LAST ISSUE THAT I'VE GOTTEN ABOUT THESE  
22 COMPENSATIONS ARE JUST SO FAR OUT OF LINE, SO FAR OUT OF LINE.  
23 IF YOU CAN'T CONTROL IT IN AN AFFILIATION AGREEMENT, YOU'LL  
24 NEVER CONTROL IT, EVER. YOU HAVE AT M.L.K. HOW MANY BEDS? I  
25 WAS TOLD EARLIER. 200 BEDS. YOU HAVE 180 DOCS ON PAYROLL



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1 THERE. PRACTICALLY A DOC PER BED. HARBOR HAS 330 BEDS AND YOU  
2 HAVE 131 DOCS. A LOT LESS. THE PAYROLL, I COULDN'T ADD ALL OF  
3 THESE NUMBERS QUICKLY ENOUGH, IT HAS GOT TO BE 10 TIMES LESS  
4 THAN WHAT IT IS AT M.L.K.

5

6 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** RIGHT, AND I BELIEVE THOSE NUMBERS ARE  
7 BECAUSE OF THE STUDIES THAT WE'VE DONE IN DOING THAT  
8 COMPARISON AND WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO MAKE THOSE  
9 ADJUSTMENTS OF DOCTORS PER WORKLOAD...

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW, BUT EVERYTHING-- DR. GARTHWAITE, LET ME  
12 UNDERSTAND. EVERYTHING IS IN PROCESS AND I'M IN THE POINT OF  
13 BEING VERY FRUSTRATED ABOUT THIS PROCESS. EVERYTHING IS GOING  
14 TO COME BACK TO US, EVERYTHING IS WE'RE GOING TO DO THIS,  
15 WE'RE GOING TO DO THAT. I WANT TO BE PART OF A GROUP OF PEOPLE  
16 THAT WANT TO HELP THIS HOSPITAL GET BACK IN STEP AND-- SO THAT  
17 WE CAN STAND UP AND BE CHEERLEADERS. I DO NOT WANT TO BE  
18 READING ABOUT THESE ISSUES PIECE BY PIECE BY PIECE. AND EVERY  
19 TIME, WHEN WE ASK FOR ACCOUNTABILITY, IT'S SOMEWHERE IN THE  
20 FUTURE. AND, YES, WHETHER IT BE WE'RE LOOKING AT HEADHUNTERS  
21 FOR AN ADMINISTRATOR. PLEASE. COME ON! AND IT ISN'T A MATTER  
22 OF BRINGING IN A CONSULTANT FROM ATLANTA TO HELP US, EITHER. I  
23 JUST DON'T THINK IT'S THAT HARD TO FIND A PERSON WHO IS GOING  
24 TO TAKE CONTROL OF ALL OF THE IRREGULARITIES THERE, TO REALLY  
25 FOCUS A HUNDRED PERCENT ATTENTION ON THIS AFFILIATION



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1 AGREEMENT AND BRING IT INTO A LEVEL THAT ALL OF US ARE GOING  
2 TO HAVE CONFIDENCE TO SIGN OFF ON. AND THEN THESE SALARIES  
3 THAT ARE OUTRAGEOUS FOR DOCTORS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE THERE.  
4 SOME OF OUR MALPRACTICE PROBLEMS HAVE COME FROM THE FACT THAT  
5 THESE DOCTORS ARE NOT THERE WHEN THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THERE,  
6 THAT CALL IN WHEN THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PHYSICALLY THERE. AND  
7 THESE SALARIES, BY COMPARISON TO HARBOR U.C.L.A., IS-- IT'S  
8 NOT. AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO THE DREW UNIVERSITY  
9 PEOPLE. I WANT TO BE SUPPORTIVE BUT I AM NOT GOING TO SUPPORT  
10 AN AFFILIATION AGREEMENT THAT HAS THIS DISPARITY IN SALARIES,  
11 AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT COMPARISON THAT IS TO L.A. COUNTY  
12 U.S.C., BUT I'M GOING TO FIND OUT AS WELL. BUT 180 DOCTORS ON  
13 PAYROLL FOR 200 BEDS DOES NOT MAKE SENSE TO ME. AND I JUST  
14 DON'T FEEL THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THE SEVERITY OF THIS SITUATION.  
15 I DON'T KNOW WHAT ELSE TO SAY. LAST TIME I ASKED FOR WEEKLY  
16 REPORTS, WE WERE GETTING THE WEEKLY REPORTS, BUT I DON'T SEE  
17 PROGRESS. I REALLY WISH I COULD SAY THAT. YOU MIGHT SEE  
18 PROGRESS BUT WE ONLY SEE WHAT'S PRESENTED TO US, AND WHAT'S  
19 PRESENTED TO US ARE THE L.A. TIMES, AUDITOR REPORTS, THINGS  
20 THAT ARE GOING TO GET DONE SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE, AND THEN,  
21 WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE HARD, COLD FACTS, THE NUMBERS ARE SCARY.  
22 I REALLY THINK YOU'VE GOT TO FIND SOMEBODY THAT'S GOING TO BE-  
23 - HAVE SOME COMMANDING LEADERSHIP IN THAT HOSPITAL, THAT IS  
24 GOING TO UNDERSTAND FROM FACILITY TO DOCTORS TO AFFILIATION  
25 AGREEMENT, THAT'S GOING TO ROLL UP THEIR SLEEVE, PUT IN,



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1 UNFORTUNATELY, THE MAYBE 15 TO 20 HOURS A DAY THAT IT MAY  
2 TAKE, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, BUT I DON'T THINK-- I MEAN, WHEN I  
3 LOOK AT THESE THINGS, I JUST CAN'T CONTINUE. IT'S BEEN-- AND  
4 DAVID KNOWS, I WAS ON THE PHONE WITH HIM LAST DECEMBER WHEN WE  
5 SAW THE DEATHS THAT WERE GOING ON AT M.L.K., AND I WANT TO  
6 SAVE THIS HOSPITAL. I WANT TO BE PART OF THE CHEERLEADERS THAT  
7 ARE GOING TO CREATE A MECHANISM TO GET THIS HOSPITAL BACK ON  
8 ITS FEET. BUT EVERY TIME I COME ACROSS ONE OF THESE THINGS, IT  
9 IS JUST VERY DISCOURAGING AND I HAVE A FEELING THAT THE--  
10 PROBABLY THE PART THAT'S MOST BOTHERSOME IS THAT YOU DON'T  
11 SEEM TO BE LISTENING TO SOME OF US AND YOUR PEOPLE DON'T SEEM  
12 TO UNDERSTAND HOW CRITICALLY IMPORTANT IT IS. EVERY TIME I GET  
13 SOMETHING, IT'S LIKE, "OH, WE'LL GET THAT TO YOU" OR "WE'RE  
14 GOING TO GET YOU THAT INFORMATION" OR "WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF  
15 DOING IT." AND THAT'S WHY THE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT ISN'T  
16 BEING APPROVED TODAY. NOW, I DON'T THINK ONE MEMBER ON THIS  
17 BOARD HAD ANY CONFIDENCE IN THAT AGREEMENT. SO, WHEN YOU BRING  
18 AN AGREEMENT THAT SATISFIES YOU AND SATISFIES DREW, WELL,  
19 GUESS WHAT? THIS IS THE GROUP THAT HAS TO APPROVE IT. SO I'D  
20 REALLY SUGGEST THAT YOU TAKE US INTO CONSIDERATION ON SOME OF  
21 THE ISSUES THAT WE'RE RAISING.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE JUST CAN'T CONTINUE TO  
24 OPERATE WITH DIFFERENT STANDARDS HERE.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE ONE  
2    SPECIFIC QUESTION, BUT I WASN'T GOING TO GET INTO THE MACRO  
3    ISSUE BUT I WILL. I HAD A LONG MEETING WITH YOU YESTERDAY--  
4    NOT THAT LONG, BUT LONG ENOUGH YESTERDAY, AND I WON'T REPEAT  
5    EVERYTHING I TOLD YOU YESTERDAY BUT I WILL SAY THIS, THAT IT'S  
6    HARD TO FATHOM SOMETIMES WHAT THIS BOARD DIRECTION IS, AND I  
7    WOULDN'T PUT ALL THE ONUS ON DR. GARTHWAITE. THERE'S BEEN AN  
8    ATTEMPT, AND I UNDERSTAND WHY, TO RESCUE THE SCHOOL. CERTAINLY  
9    THE HOSPITAL IS NUMBER ONE IN OUR SIGHTS BUT THERE'S BEEN AN  
10    ATTEMPT TO RESCUE THE SCHOOL, EVEN THOUGH ALL THE EVIDENCE IS  
11    THAT WE HAVE PROBLEMS AT THE SCHOOL. I RAISED THIS ISSUE LAST  
12    JANUARY, EIGHT MONTHS AGO, WHEN I ASKED WHAT IS THE DROP DEAD  
13    DATE IN TERMS OF EXECUTING, PULLING THE TRIGGER ON THE  
14    TERMINATION OF THE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT SO THAT WE COULD GO  
15    IN ANOTHER DIRECTION, WHATEVER THAT DIRECTION WOULD BE,  
16    WHETHER IT'S WITH THE OTHER TEACHING HOSPITALS IN TOWN, S.C.  
17    AND U.C.L.A., OR TO TAKE IT IN-HOUSE AND PAY THE CONSEQUENCES  
18    ACCORDINGLY. THIS BOARD DIDN'T WANT TO DO THAT. I COULDN'T  
19    EVEN GET A SECOND, IF MY MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECTLY, ON A  
20    RELATIVELY MILD MOTION. TODAY, I'D BE PREPARED TO PULL THE  
21    TRIGGER BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THIS IS GOING ANYWHERE. IT'S  
22    TAKEN US EIGHT MONTHS TO GET TO THIS PLACE AND I DON'T KNOW  
23    WHERE WE ARE WITH RESPECT TO THE SCHOOL. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE  
24    SCHOOL, NOT THE HOS-- NOT OUR SIDE OF THE EQUATION. I'LL GET



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1 TO THAT IN A SECOND. YOU'RE REQUESTING A CONTINUANCE FOR HOW  
2 LONG? UNTIL NOVEMBER?

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4 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND, IN OUR DISCUSSION YESTERDAY IN MY OF--  
7 GO AHEAD. IN MY DISCUSSION YESTERDAY...

8

9 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WE ASKED TO SUSPEND THE TERMINATION  
10 DATE FOR THAT PERIOD OF TIME BUT WITH THE HOPE OF BEING ABLE  
11 TO BRING IT BACK SOONER.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. BUT WHAT YOU'VE DONE IS, AND I  
14 SAID THIS TO YOU YESTERDAY, IS I ASKED YOU WHAT THE DROP DEAD  
15 DATE IS FOR THE ENTRY OR FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF NEW RESIDENTS  
16 AT THE SCHOOL, AT THE HOSPITAL, THE SCHOOL, THE DREW  
17 RESIDENTS, AND YOU HAD IT'S, WHAT THE END OF OCTOBER?

18

19 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** EARLY NOVEMBER.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EARLY NOVEMBER. SO, BY SAYING TODAY THAT YOU  
22 HOPE TO DO IT SOONER THAN NOVEMBER, BUT YOU'VE GIVEN US  
23 THROUGH NOVEMBER OR INTO NOVEMBER, YOU'RE ESSENTIALLY SAYING  
24 YOU'VE KILLED ANOTHER YEAR, AND THAT'S MY OPINION. IT MAY NOT  
25 BE YOUR INTENTION BUT IT'S THE WAY I READ IT. THAT THAT WE'RE



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1 GOING TO BE STUCK BECAUSE ONE OF THE REASONS YOU DIDN'T WANT  
2 TO PULL THE PLUG ON THE SCHOOL SEVEN MONTHS AGO WAS BECAUSE  
3 YOU HAD ALL THESE COMMITMENTS TO THESE RESIDENTS AND EVERYBODY  
4 WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE RESIDENTS, EVERYONE WAS CONCERNED  
5 ABOUT THE SCHOOL, EVERYBODY WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE OPTICS OF  
6 IT, THE APPEARANCE OF IT. NOBODY SEEMED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT  
7 WHAT WAS HAPPENING-- I'M SURE THAT'S NOT A FAIR STATEMENT. BUT  
8 IT WASN'T ARTICULATED THAT WE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT WAS  
9 HAPPENING WITH THESE RESIDENTS. WE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT ALL  
10 THESE OTHER THINGS. SO HERE WE ARE TODAY BEING ASKED TO PUT  
11 THIS OVER INTO WHAT I BELIEVE WILL ENSURE THAT WE WILL LOSE  
12 ANOTHER YEAR AND BE STUCK FOR ANOTHER YEAR IN THIS  
13 RELATIONSHIP WHICH, TO PUT IT MILDLY, IS UNSATISFACTORY. IS  
14 UNSATISFACTORY. SO I THINK THIS MOTION IS WONDERFUL EXCEPT  
15 IT'S NIPPING AROUND THE EDGES. IT DOESN'T REALLY DO WHAT WE  
16 SHOULD HAVE DONE IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, WHICH WAS GIVEN A  
17 CLEAR DROP DEAD DATE, AND IF WE WERE NOT SATISFIED WITH THE  
18 PROGRESS IN THE CASE OF DREW-- THE DREW SCHOOL, DREW  
19 UNIVERSITY, IF WE'RE NOT SATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS THEY  
20 MADE, THAT WE WILL HAVE INSTRUCTED YOU TO PULL THE PLUG. WE  
21 DIDN'T DO THAT. WE COMPROMISED, WE RATIONALIZED, WE KIND OF,  
22 AS I SAY, NIPPED AROUND THE EDGES. I THINK THAT, IF YOU WERE  
23 TO BE GIVEN DIRECTION TO SEVER THE RELATIONSHIP, I THINK YOU  
24 WOULD EXECUTE THAT WITH DISPATCH AND COMPETENTLY. I THINK YOUR  
25 PROBLEM IS THAT YOU'RE GETTING DIFFERENT SIGNALS FROM THE



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1 BOARD, NOT ONLY FROM DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, BUT ON  
2 DIFFERENT WEEKS FROM THE BOARD, DEPENDING ON THE ISSUE OF THE  
3 DAY. SO I WOULD BE READY TODAY TO INSTRUCT YOU TO SEVER.  
4 THAT'S THE ONLY THING, IN MY OPINION, THAT-- THAT'S THE ONLY  
5 OPTION WE HAVE LEFT TO US. I KNOW THEY'VE MADE CHANGES IN  
6 THEIR BOARD. THEY SAID THEY WOULD DO IT IN THREE MONTHS. IT  
7 TOOK THEM SIX, SEVEN MONTHS TO GET THERE. THIS IS JUST A, FROM  
8 MY POINT OF VIEW, A PACE THAT IS UNSATISFACTORY. I TOLD YOU  
9 THAT EVERY SINGLE MEMBER OF THIS BOARD, NOT JUST MRS. BURKE  
10 BECAUSE IT'S IN HER DISTRICT, BUT EVERY SINGLE MEMBER OF THIS  
11 BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT HAPPENS AT THIS HOSPITAL. IT'S A  
12 COUNTY HOSPITAL. I FEEL PERSONALLY AND POLITICALLY  
13 RESPONSIBLE, AS I SUSPECT EVERY OTHER MEMBER OF THIS BOARD  
14 DOES, AND ACCOUNTABLE FOR WHAT HAPPENS AT THAT HOSPITAL, AND  
15 I'M NOT SATISFIED, AS I SAID TO YOU YESTERDAY. I'M NOT  
16 SATISFIED THAT I CAN EXPLAIN TO MY CONSTITUENTS WHAT THE  
17 HELL'S GOING ON. THAT'S ON THE DREW SIDE. NOW I WANT TO JUST  
18 SAY SOMETHING ON THE HOSPITAL SIDE. IT IS CLEAR TO ME, TOM,  
19 THAT, WHEN YOU BROUGHT FRED LEAF IN TO BE THE FIREFIGHTER TO  
20 COME IN AND PUT OUT THE FIRE, IT WAS A GOOD IDEA ON A SHORT-  
21 TERM BASIS AND IT REALLY HAD NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE IN THE HOPES  
22 THAT MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION, MORE PERMANENT STRUCTURE WOULD  
23 BE CREATED TO GET THEIR ARMS AROUND THE PROBLEMS AT MARTIN  
24 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. NOW I'M TALKING ABOUT IT FROM THE  
25 COUNTY'S POINT OF VIEW. THE COUNTY HAS ITS OWN SHARE OF



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1 PROBLEMS DOWN THERE. IT'S NOT JUST DREW UNIVERSITY, AND MAYBE  
2 AS BIG A SET OF PROBLEMS. AND IT'S CLEAR TO ME THAT, AND IT'S  
3 NOT A REFLECTION ON FRED, I DON'T THINK ANYBODY IS UP TO THAT  
4 JOB. YOU CAN'T PUT ALL THAT RESPONSIBILITY ON ONE INDIVIDUAL  
5 TO TRY TO PUT THIS THING IN ORDER. I DON'T THINK THERE IS A  
6 SINGLE HUMAN BEING WHO WOULD BE CAPABLE OF DOING THAT. IT'S  
7 NOT FAIR TO HIM, IT'S NOT FAIR TO YOU, AND IT'S NOT-- ABOVE  
8 ALL, IT'S NOT FAIR TO THE PATIENTS AT THE HOSPITAL, OUR  
9 CLIENTS, TO DO IT THAT WAY. THE CONSULTANT, WE'RE PAYING A LOT  
10 OF MONEY FOR CONSULTANTS. SOME OF THE MORE OBVIOUS THINGS THAT  
11 COME TO LIGHT, THE CONSULTANT WAS NOT AWARE OF, DON'T HAVE TO  
12 GET INTO CLAMPS IN ABDOMENS, AMONG OTHER THINGS. SO, I THINK,  
13 ASIDE FROM THE DREW UNIVERSITY AFFILIATION AGREEMENT PIECE, I  
14 THINK YOU NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT-- IMMEDIATELY, AT WHERE  
15 THINGS STAND IN TERMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
16 ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOSPITAL. I'M NOT SATISFIED WITH WHERE  
17 IT IS BUT WE TEND TO TALK ABOUT ALL OF THIS AND MIX THEM UP,  
18 DREW, AND THEY ARE, OBVIOUSLY, INTERCONNECTED, THE UNIVERSITY  
19 AND OUR PIECE OF IT. BUT OUR PIECE OF IT IS SUFFERING AND, AS  
20 MS. MOLINA JUST SAID, THIS, FOR US, THE LATEST ITERATION FOR  
21 US, IT'S NOT THE FIRST ITERATION, BUT THE LATEST STARTED IN  
22 DECEMBER. IT IS NOW AUGUST AND I DON'T HAVE THE CONFIDENCE  
23 THAT THE D.H.S., THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HAS GOTTEN  
24 ITS ARMS AROUND THIS HOSPITAL SITUATION TO THE POINT WHERE I  
25 HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT IT'S MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. AND,



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1 IF IT IS, IT CERTAINLY HASN'T BEEN ARTICULATED AND  
2 COMMUNICATED TO US OR ANYWHERE ELSE IN THAT REGARD. SO, YOU  
3 KNOW, I SAY THAT WITH-- YOU KNOW, I THINK IT SPEAKS FOR  
4 ITSELF, AND I-- I WISH THE BOARD WERE PREPARED TO BE A LITTLE  
5 MORE FORTHRIGHT-- FORTHRIGHT ISN'T THE RIGHT WORD-- A LITTLE  
6 MORE DECISIVE ABOUT THIS AFFILIATION AGREEMENT NOW AND NOT  
7 ACQUIESCE TO A NOVEMBER-- EXTENSION TO NOVEMBER FOR A  
8 TERMINATION DATE. IF THERE IS GOING TO BE AN EXTENSION, THEN I  
9 WOULD SUGGEST THAT IT NOT BE 'TIL NOVEMBER, THAT IT BE 'TIL  
10 OCTOBER 1ST SO THAT AT LEAST THIS BOARD HAS THE OPTION, ONCE  
11 THE DEADLINE HAS BEEN REACHED, IF WE'RE NOT THEN SATISFIED, TO  
12 PUT OUR MONEY WHERE OUR MOUTH IS IN TERMS OF MAKING A DECISION  
13 AND NOT BE STUCK WITH YOU TELLING US IF WE, IN MID-NOVEMBER,  
14 HEY, WE JUST ADMITTED "X" NUMBER OF RESIDENTS AND IT WOULDN'T  
15 BE FAIR TO THEM AND WE'RE ALL GOING TO FEEL SORRY FOR THE  
16 RESIDENTS. I WOULD, BECAUSE YOU'VE MADE A COMMITMENT TO  
17 PEOPLE, ET CETERA. THIS IS A CONUNDRUM. THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE  
18 CONUNDRUM FOR US, FOR THE SCHOOL, FOR THE RESIDENTS, FOR OUR  
19 EMPLOYEES, BUT, ABOVE ALL, IT'S A DISASTER FOR OUR CLIENTS,  
20 AND THEY SHOULD BE FIRST AND FOREMOST IN OUR MINDS. AND SO I--  
21 I DON'T KNOW THAT I'D GET A SECOND AND I'M NOT...

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** TRY.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I MEAN, I THINK WE ALL HAVE THE  
2    QUESTION OF WHY 90 DAYS, NUMBER ONE.

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4    **SUP. MOLINA:** TRY. MAY I SAY SOMETHING?

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6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I DON'T THINK ANYONE'S AGREED TO THE 90  
7    DAYS.

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9    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE FIRST THING I WOULD MOVE IS I WOULD MOVE  
10    THAT THE OCTOBER 1ST DATE BE THE TERMINATION DATE IF THERE'S  
11    GOING TO BE AN EXTENSION OF THE TERMINATION DATE AND THEN I'M  
12    OPEN TO ANY OTHER SUGGESTIONS.

13

14    **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

15

16    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. EXCUSE ME. WE HAVE A MOTION, AN  
17    AMENDMENT THERE TO MAKE IT OCTOBER 1. SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS  
18    REQUESTED TO SPEAK, AND THEN YVONNE.

19

20    **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME SAY THAT I AM ONE OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS  
21    THAT WANTED VERY MUCH TO SEE THE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WORK  
22    WITH SOME MAJOR OVERHAUL AND SOME MAJOR CHANGES BUT IT NEEDED  
23    TO HAPPEN. THIS AGREEMENT THAT WAS PRESENTED TO US DIDN'T  
24    REFLECT ANY OF THOSE CHANGES, TO MY SATISFACTION, OR ENOUGH.  
25    AND I HAVE BEEN ONE OF THOSE THAT I DID NOT WANT TO DECIDE



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1 BEFORE WE WENT THROUGH THIS EXERCISE. BUT WE'VE GONE THROUGH  
2 THIS EXERCISE AND IT'S PRETTY PATHETIC, AND I-- I'VE  
3 CERTAINLY-- I THINK THEY DO NEED A DROP DEAD DEADLINE. I MEAN,  
4 I'VE CHANGED MY POSITION COMPLETELY. I'VE SEEN IT AND, I MEAN,  
5 THEY'VE HAD RESOURCES PUMPED INTO THEM, THEY'VE HAD LEADERSHIP  
6 RESOURCES PUMPED INTO THEM, BUT IF-- THERE IS JUST TOO MUCH  
7 THERE THAT SOME FOLKS ARE JUST NOT GETTING THE MESSAGE,  
8 OBVIOUSLY. I MEAN, DOCTORS SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR  
9 THESE THINGS. I MEAN, IT DOESN'T EVEN SEEM LIKE THAT MESSAGE  
10 IS GOING ON. WHEN YOU HAVE NURSES THAT ARE CHARTING  
11 MISINFORMATION EVERY SINGLE DAY, I MEAN, JUST IS UNBELIEVABLE  
12 WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE. SO I HAVE NO PROBLEM SECONDING  
13 YOUR MOTION, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, AND I DON'T KNOW THAT DREW IS  
14 GOING TO BE ABLE TO MAKE IT BUT I AM HOPING THAT THEY'RE GOING  
15 TO LISTEN TO THIS DEBATE AND THIS DISCUSSION AND SAY, "IF WE  
16 WANT TO KEEP IT, WE ARE GOING TO WORK 24 HOURS A DAY TO FIND A  
17 WAY NOT ONLY TO MAKE IT HAPPEN, BUT TRY AND CONVINCE US THAT  
18 THEY ARE WORTHY OF US SIGNING AN AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH  
19 THEM. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I JUST THINK THEY'VE BEEN TOO  
20 SLOW. I DON'T THINK THEY UNDERSTAND THE SEVERITY, EITHER. I  
21 WANTED TO GIVE THEM EVERY SINGLE BREAK AND EVERY SINGLE CHANCE  
22 BUT NOW THAT I SEE WHAT I'M SEEING, I AM JUST HORRIFIED THAT  
23 THEY'RE JUST NOT GOING TO MAKE IT, AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE  
24 GO. I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHERE WE GO. IT'S NOT LIKE U.C.L.A. IS  
25 SAYING, "OH, HALLELUJAH, I'D LOVE TO DO IT," OR U.S.C. IS



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1 SAYING, "LET ME IN ON THAT DEAL." I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE GO BUT  
2 I HAVE A FEELING THAT YOU BETTER HAVE A BACKUP PLAN, BECAUSE I  
3 JUST DON'T THINK THAT DREW IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO COME IN AND  
4 SAVE ITSELF. AND, IF IT DOES, I WOULD BE THE FIRST ONE TO BE  
5 THERE BUT I JUST-- THEY'RE NOT CONVINCED ME, AND SO I THINK  
6 THAT THAT HAS TO BE DONE. I'D ASKED SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IF  
7 HE WANTED TO CARRY OVER HIS MOTION SO THAT WE COULD ADD AN  
8 ACTUAL DEADLINE DATE, LIKE YOU'VE PUT ON THERE, BUT HE'S NOT  
9 GOING TO BE HERE NEXT WEEK. SO, I MEAN, THERE'S NO DOUBT, THIS  
10 IS JUST AROUND THE EDGES, IT MIGHT BE A STEP FORWARD, BUT THE  
11 REALITY IS I THINK THEY HAVE TO UNDERSTAND. I HOPE THEY LISTEN  
12 TO THIS TAPE. I HOPE THEY LISTEN TO WHAT WE'RE SAYING. I WANT  
13 TO GIVE THEM A CHANCE BUT, UNDER THIS AFFILIATION AGREEMENT,  
14 THEY DON'T DESERVE A CHANCE FROM ME. THIS IS SO FAR DOWN FROM  
15 WHAT THE EXPECTATION LEVEL THAT I HAD AND THE MONEY, AS WELL,  
16 AND THERE'S JUST TOO MANY THINGS WRONG, AND EVERYBODY TRYING  
17 TO TREAT IT AS THOUGH THIS IS A STATUS QUO. I MEAN, THEY ARE  
18 IN THE TOILET BOWL. THEY GOT TO GET OUT OF THERE BEFORE, YOU  
19 KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO SIGN ON AND TO COME IN AND ASK US FOR  
20 MORE MONEY AND LESS DEPARTMENTS. IT'S JUST TOO MUCH THAT I  
21 JUST-- I AGREE NOW WITH SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU'VE GOT TO  
22 GIVE THEM A DATE. I DON'T THINK THEY'RE TAKING IT SERIOUSLY,  
23 EITHER, AND, ON OUR END, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO CLEAN IT UP  
24 BIG TIME, BECAUSE WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN OUT IN THE COMMUNITY  
25 IS THEY'RE GOING TO POINT THE FINGER AT YOU, YOU'RE GOING TO



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1 POINT THE FINGER AT THEM, EVERYBODY IS GOING IN A DIFFERENT  
2 DIRECTION, AND WE MAY LOSE THIS VITAL HOSPITAL. TODAY, I HAVE  
3 A HOSPITAL THAT THE EMERGENCY ROOM IS CLOSING TODAY, THEY  
4 DIDN'T MEET PAYROLL, SO I HAVE ANOTHER HOSPITAL THAT'S GOING  
5 DOWN IN MY COMMUNITY, BEDS THAT ARE SO ESSENTIAL THAT HAVE  
6 BEEN AT LEAST A PART OF OUR EMERGENCY ROOM SYSTEM...

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE GOT ONE IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY GOING  
9 DOWN NEXT WEEK.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. AND WHAT'S GOING ON IN THIS HEALTHCARE  
12 CRISIS IS JUST AMAZING. WE CANNOT AFFORD M.L.K. TO GO DOWN. WE  
13 JUST CANNOT AFFORD FOR THAT TO HAPPEN. SO WE NEED TO BE A PART  
14 OF A GROUP THAT'S TRYING TO DO ALL WE CAN TO SAVE THIS  
15 HOSPITAL. THE PRIVATES OUT THERE ARE GOING OUT OF BUSINESS  
16 LEFT AND RIGHT. I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S GOING ON BUT THIS IS A  
17 MAJOR CRISIS, AND I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE PART OF THIS CRISIS.  
18 I WANT US TO BE PART OF THE GROUP THAT'S FIXING IT BUT THIS  
19 REALLY DOES NEED CRISIS MANAGEMENT, TOM, IT TRULY DOES.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I THINK WE ALL ARE IN THAT SITUATION. I HAD  
22 A CONVERSATION LAST NIGHT WITH SOME FOLKS THAT ARE IN OVERLOAD  
23 SITUATION, ANOTHER E.R., ANOTHER HOSPITAL IN MY DISTRICT  
24 THAT'S THINKING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, BAILING OUT OF THE SYSTEM AS  
25 WELL, TOO. AND I, YOU KNOW, I MEAN, WHETHER IT'S 90 DAYS OR



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1 WHETHER IT'S OCTOBER 1ST, I MEAN, THE NECESSITY HERE OBVIOUSLY  
2 IS, YOU KNOW, WHEN PEOPLE YELL AT ME, ARE YOU GOING TO CLOSE  
3 DOWN MARTIN LUTHER KING? I SAY, AT THIS POINT, IT'S NOT THE  
4 BOARD SO MUCH BUT YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE  
5 REGULATORS. AND THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO CONFRONT. I  
6 MEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHY IT'S GOING TO TAKE 90 DAYS. YOU  
7 SUPPOSEDLY CAME TO US WITH AN AGREEMENT THAT NO ONE IS HAPPY  
8 WITH BUT OBVIOUSLY BEEN WORKING ON SO WHY CAN'T IT BE WEEK TO  
9 WEEK? I MEAN, JUST LET US KNOW, I MEAN, YOU KNOW, EVERY SEVEN  
10 DAYS, WHERE WE'RE AT BECAUSE I THINK IT'S OF THAT URGENCY AND  
11 OF THAT KIND OF A NECESSITY THAT WE NEED TO GET ON WITH THIS  
12 OR, AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND OTHERS HAVE SAID, WE'VE GOT  
13 TO MOVE ON. SO, SUPERVISOR BURKE?

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** YES, AND I DO-- I AGREE IN TERMS OF THIS  
16 AGREEMENT. THIS AGREEMENT IS JUST TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND YOU  
17 KNOW THAT BUT WE STILL HAVE TO DIVIDE UP AN AGREEMENT FROM  
18 ACTUALLY WHAT'S HAPPENING IN TERMS OF THE SCHOOL. MY  
19 UNDERSTANDING AT PRESENT, THAT THERE ARE-- IS IT 18 DIFFERENT  
20 RESIDENCY PROGRAMS THAT ARE GOING ON?

21

22 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** AND HOW MANY RESIDENTS ARE THERE IN THOSE 18  
25 PROGRAMS?



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2 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** 284.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** 284 RESIDENTS AND SOME OF THEM HAVE JUST GONE  
5 THROUGH ACCREDITATION AND THEY HAVE BEEN ACCREDITED.

6

7 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** SO I THINK WHEN WE HAVE-- WHEN WE TALK ABOUT  
10 SOMETHING GOING IN THE TOILET, YOU HAVE TO TAKE-- WHEN YOU'RE  
11 TALKING ABOUT 18 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS, IT IS TRUE THERE WERE TWO  
12 PROGRAMS THAT WERE TERMINATED. NOW, THE L.A. TIMES HAS WRITTEN  
13 THAT STORY 10 TIMES. IN JUNE, THEY ACTED AS IF THIS WAS NEW.  
14 THOSE TWO PROGRAMS, SURGERY AND RADIOLOGY, HAVE BEEN  
15 TERMINATED, BUT YOU HAVE ALL THESE OTHER 18 PROGRAMS THAT HAVE  
16 HAD PEOPLE FROM A.C.G.M.E. WHO HAVE GONE THROUGH THEM. SOME OF  
17 THEM HAVE BEEN ACCREDITED SINCE WE LAST DISCUSSED IT. SO I DO  
18 THINK YOU CAN'T JUST TAKE THIS BRUSH AND TRY TO APPLY TO A  
19 WHOLE 18 PROGRAMS UNLESS YOU'VE GONE THROUGH EACH ONE OF THOSE  
20 AND YOU HAVE DISSECTED AND SAID, "THIS PROGRAM IS NOT MEETING  
21 THE CRITERIA, THIS PROGRAM IS NOT GOING TO BE ACCREDITED, THIS  
22 PROGRAM IS ON PROBATION." SO YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT  
23 IT A LITTLE BIT MORE THAN JUST A GENERAL, SAY, "WE NEED TO GET  
24 ANOTHER-- A WHOLE NEW-- 18 NEW RESIDENTS PROGRAMS WITH ANOTHER  
25 INSTITUTION." WE NEED TO LOOK AT THOSE AND, DR. GARTHWAITE,





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1 WHEN YOU COME BEFORE US AND YOU START TALKING ABOUT THIS  
2 AGREEMENT, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LET THIS BOARD KNOW ALL OF  
3 THOSE PROGRAMS THAT ARE RESIDENCY PROGRAMS, THAT ARE VITAL AND  
4 THAT ARE GOING ON, THAT THEY HAVE RESIDENTS, SOME OF WHOM I  
5 UNDERSTAND MORE OF THEM NOW ARE PASSING. SO SOME OF THOSE  
6 THINGS, WE DON'T KNOW THEM UNLESS WE'RE TOLD AND I UNDERSTAND  
7 MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S POSITION. HE THINKS THAT EVERYTHING IS JUST  
8 LIKE IT WAS SIX MONTHS AGO. HE PROBABLY HAS NOT EVEN HAD AN  
9 UPDATE ON SOME OF THOSE OTHER RESIDENCY PROGRAMS. HE JUST GETS  
10 WHAT HE READS IN THE L.A. TIMES. TWO OF THEM WERE CANCELED SIX  
11 MONTHS AGO BUT THE DEADLINE DATE CAME JUNE 30TH. SO THESE ARE  
12 THINGS THAT HAVE TO COME UP. NOW, YOU KNOW, IT'S ALL GOOD AND  
13 WELL TO SAY, "WE'RE GOING TO TERMINATE THE WHOLE THING BECAUSE  
14 THOSE TWO WERE TERMINATED." AT THE SAME TIME, MY UNDERSTANDING  
15 IS THAT THOSE WOULD BE REINSTATED AT SUCH TIME AS THE REST OF  
16 THE PROGRAMS RECEIVED FAVORABLE FROM A.C.G.M.E. WHAT YOU NEED  
17 TO BE TELLING US AND WHAT YOU NEED TO BE DOING IS MAKING SURE  
18 THAT THEY MOVE FORWARD TO GET THOSE FAVORABLE RATINGS WITH  
19 A.C.G.M.E. SO THOSE TWO CAN BE REINSTATED. SO, YOU KNOW, FINE,  
20 YOU CAN SAY, WE'RE GOING TO TERMINATE THIS ON OCTOBER 1ST, NOT  
21 KNOWING WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO IN TERMS OF RESIDENTS, NOT  
22 KNOWING WHERE YOU'RE GOING, HOW YOU'RE GOING TO EVEN OPERATE A  
23 HOSPITAL, AND IT SOUNDS GOOD, BUT IT'S NOT PRACTICAL. IT'S NOT  
24 APPLICABLE. SO, YOU KNOW, THE ONLY THING I'D SAY TO YOU IS,  
25 BEFORE YOU START TALKING ABOUT HOW YOU'RE GOING TO TERMINATE



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1 AND PUT A NEW INSTITUTION IN THERE, AND HAVE 18 MORE NEW  
2 RESIDENTS, 224 RESIDENTS ARE GOING COME IN THE NEXT DAY, THAT  
3 YOU STARTED LOOKING AT HOW EACH ONE OF THOSE PROGRAMS IS  
4 FUNCTIONING AND LOOK AT THE SCHOOL AS A WHOLE. SO-- AND THAT'S  
5 BASICALLY WHAT MY POSITION IS ON THIS.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE HAD A COUPLE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
8 SIGN UP. GENEVIEVE...

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10 **>DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COULD I JUST MAKE A  
11 COUPLE COMMENTS?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SURE.

14

15 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** FIRST OF ALL, I DO BELIEVE WE'VE TRIED  
16 EXTREMELY HARD TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES AND I REGRET THE BOARD  
17 DOESN'T FEEL THAT WAY. I WOULD POINT TO THE COMMENTS OF THE  
18 REVIEWERS FROM CMS WHO DID FIND AMAZING PROGRESS AND I THINK  
19 THEY'RE THE MOST OBJECTIVE FOLKS THAT COULD SAY THAT SOME  
20 PROGRESS IS BEING MADE. I WOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT  
21 ABSENTEEISM AT THE HOSPITAL IS DOWN DRAMATICALLY, THAT THE  
22 MORALE OF THE FRONTLINE STAFF IS SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED. WE  
23 HAVE PLENTY OF WORK TO DO AND I DON'T IN ANY WAY UNDERESTIMATE  
24 IT, AND I DO BELIEVE WE THINK IT'S A CRISIS. I'M THERE TWO OR  
25 THREE TIMES A WEEK, AS IS FRED, AND WE'RE SPENDING AN ENORMOUS



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1 AMOUNT OF OUR EFFORT IN TRYING TO MAKE THIS BETTER. WITH  
2 REGARDS TO GETTING BACK THE INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITATION FOR  
3 A.C.G.M.E., WE'RE WORKING VERY HARD ON THAT. THERE HAVE BEEN  
4 OUTSIDE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN VERY INVOLVED IN THAT IN GETTING  
5 THE EDUCATIONAL PIECES IN PLACE. WE'VE HIRED ADDITIONAL STAFF  
6 TO MAKE THAT OFFICE STRONGER AND I THINK THAT WILL BE HELPFUL.  
7 WITH REGARDS TO RADIOLOGY, WHICH WE'VE LOST THE ACCREDITATION  
8 ON. I HAVE BEEN VERY UP FRONT WITH DREW THAT I WOULD NOT  
9 RECOMMEND THAT WE LOOK TO ESTABLISH-- REESTABLISH A RADIOLOGY  
10 PROGRAM, BUT THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT CONSOLIDATING RADIOLOGY  
11 AMONGST DHS FACILITIES IF WE'RE GOING TO BRING ACADEMIC  
12 RADIOLOGY TO KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER. AND THAT'S SIMPLY  
13 BECAUSE WE CANNOT AFFORD ALL THE TYPES OF RADIOLOGY  
14 SPECIALISTS IN ALL OF OUR FACILITIES THAT WE WOULD OTHERWISE  
15 HAVE TO HAVE FOR THAT. SO WITH THOSE REMARKS, I HOPE TO COME  
16 BACK WITH SOME PROGRESS AND WE'LL KEEP YOU INFORMED. THANK  
17 YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE, AND THEN ETHEL LEE JOHNSON.

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21 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
22 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, I'M TORN. YOU KNOW, IN A WAY,  
23 I'M VERY PLEASED THAT MANY OF YOU ARE TAKING IT SERIOUSLY, THE  
24 REPEATED COMPLAINTS I HAVE HAD ABOUT DREW AND M.L.K. BUT I AM  
25 SPEECHLESS WHEN I SEE YOU ARE GOING TO CUT OUT DREW WHEN YOU



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1 GOT A LOUSY CONTRACT FROM D.H.S. I MEAN, WHY NOW THE PERSON  
2 WHO IS TO BE CUT OFF IS D.H.S.? DR. GARTHWAITE HAS HAD SEVEN  
3 MONTHS TO COME UP WITH AN APPROPRIATE CONTRACT. THIS CONTRACT  
4 WAS NOT WRITTEN BY DREW. THIS CONTRACT WAS WRITTEN BY DR.  
5 GARTHWAITE FROM D.H.S. THIS MORNING, HE WAS UNABLE TO ANSWER A  
6 LOT OF YOUR QUESTIONS. AS USUAL, HE HAS NOT DONE HIS HOMEWORK.  
7 HE HAS HAD MORE THAN SEVEN MONTHS TO COME UP WITH A SOLID  
8 CONTRACT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS WITH DREW AND ALSO WITH M.L.K.  
9 HE HAS BROUGHT CONSULTANTS OVER AND OVER AGAIN. THE CAMDEN  
10 GROUP SHOULD HAVE BEEN FIRED A LONG TIME AGO. THINGS ARE OUT  
11 OF CONTROL AND MANY OF YOU-- AND, TODAY, LIKE I SAID, I WAS  
12 VERY PLEASED. YOU SEEMED TO REALLY CARE BUT MAYBE BECAUSE, AT  
13 OFFER, YOU, YOU CAN NO LONGER HAVE PLAUSIBLE DENIABILITY  
14 BECAUSE I FILE A GRAND JURY REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION. IT'S  
15 TIME PEOPLE LOOK AT THE PROBLEM AND DO NOT, YOU KNOW, ACCUSE  
16 SOMEBODY ELSE. TO CUT DREW IS UNFAIR. THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN  
17 BECAUSE OF POOR MANAGEMENT AT THE D.H.S. LEVEL. AND I THINK  
18 YOU NEED TO REVIEW THAT BEFORE YOU THINK ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE.  
19 AND I THINK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION IS GREAT. I MUST  
20 SAY THAT I WANT TO THANK HIM FOR HAVING CONSISTENTLY RESPONDED  
21 TO MY REQUESTS. I HAVE ASKED REPEATEDLY FOR REPORTS OF WHAT  
22 CAMDEN GROUP IS DOING. FRED LEAF HAS STILL NOT RESPONDED TO  
23 THAT DAY. I THINK IT'S APPALLING. AND AS SUPPORTING THAT DR.  
24 GARTHWAITE IS ALLOWED TO DESTROY A SUCH SIGNIFICANT PART OF



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1 OUR HEALTHCARE, I WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT EVERY TUESDAY, THREE  
2 OF YOU CAN FIRE HIM. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ETHEL.

5

6 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ETHEL JOHNSON, AND I'M IN THE  
7 DISTRICT OF YVONNE BURKE, DISTRICT 2, IN COMPTON, AND ALSO IN  
8 WATTS AREA. I AM A MIRACLE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. MY  
9 DOCTOR WAS MAJOR COIN. I'VE BEEN THROUGH MARTIN LUTHER KING  
10 HOSPITAL. WE ALSO HAVE A FIVE-YEAR LEASE ON MARTIN LUTHER KING  
11 HOSPITAL. AND THE REASON I'M A MIRACLE, BECAUSE MY DOCTOR  
12 FOUGHT, WE FOUGHT FOR WHAT WE CALL THE EPIDURAL. I WAS  
13 OPERATED ON AND I BELIEVE THAT, IF WE ALL STAND TOGETHER ON  
14 THAT, MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL HAVE SOME UNPROFESSIONALS  
15 BUT WE HAVE WORKED HARD FOR YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS. I WAS  
16 BROUGHT UP IN THE AREA AND I BELIEVE, TODAY, THAT, IF WE GET  
17 SOME HELP, PROFESSIONAL HELP, THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE IT.  
18 NOW, I'VE BEEN ALL BROKE UP AND EVERYTHING. I'M PERMANENTLY  
19 DISABLED BUT I WENT OVERSEAS IN THE GULF AND I'M VERY PROUD OF  
20 MR. MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH. HE DID RESPOND TO MY VETERAN-- AS A  
21 VETERAN AND THERE'S VETERANS OUT THERE AT MARTIN LUTHER KING  
22 THAT'S CRYING FOR HELP. THEY DON'T HAVE TRANSPORTATION AND  
23 EVERYTHING ELSE BUT I DID RECEIVE HIS LETTER, AND HE DID TRY  
24 TO HELP ME. THE BOARD-- I MEAN, IT'S NOT NICE TO ALWAYS, YOU  
25 KNOW, LAY THE BOARD THE BLAME. WHAT WE NEED IS HELP. THERE'S



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1 POOR PEOPLE IN THE AREA AND WE DO NEED A PAIN CLINIC, AND  
2 THAT'S WHY I'M HERE. WE NEED A PAIN CLINIC, PLUS WE NEED A  
3 HALFWAY HOUSE. WE DO HAVE FRIENDS OUTSIDE, I'M ON FRIENDS  
4 OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION, WHICH DEALS WITH THE INMATES. AND THE  
5 INMATES ARE ON FRIENDS OUTSIDE. EVERY CHRISTMAS, WE GIVE THE  
6 INMATES' CHILDREN GIFTS. WE NEED THAT TO BE LOOKED INTO.  
7 THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS, NOBODY'S THERE, YOU KNOW. BUT WE DO  
8 NEED THAT TO BE LOOKED INTO. AND I'M ONLY ASKING FOR MY  
9 MILITARY MONEY. THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING FOR, AND FOR TO HELP THE  
10 PEOPLE AND TO KEEP THE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. I ALSO  
11 WORK FOR U.S. MEDICAL CENTER. I TOOK MY TRAINING THERE AND WE  
12 NEED THESE HOSPITALS OPEN. THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE SICK, CANCER  
13 AND EVERYTHING ELSE, BUT I'M ASKING FOR A PAIN CLINIC. NOW, I  
14 DON'T CARE WHO OPENS IT UP OR WHAT BUT WE DO NEED A PAIN  
15 CLINIC AND SOME OF THE VETERANS ASKED ME TODAY WOULD I SPEAK  
16 FOR THEM. I'M A VETERAN. I'VE BEEN OVER IN THE GULF WAR AND I  
17 HAVE AGENT ORANGE. YOU MIGHT LOOK AT ME ON THE OUTSIDE BUT I  
18 HAVE TREMENDOUS, TREMENDOUS INJURIES AND I'M PROUD OF YOU  
19 GUYS, OKAY? MR. ANTONOVICH, I'M GLAD THAT YOU SENT ME A  
20 LETTER, OKAY?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

23

24 **ETHEL LEE JOHNSON:** OKAY, AND I LOVE YOU.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. GOES WITH YOUR ED MCMAHON'S  
2    CLEARINGHOUSE SWEEPSTAKES LETTER. LET ME JUST SAY, MR.  
3    CHAIRMAN, ON MY MOTION, IT IS IMPORTANT AND, YOU KNOW, THE  
4    FACT THAT ONE STATEMENT, WHEN A PERSON IS WEIGHING, WHAT, 250  
5    POUNDS ONE DAY, THE NEXT DAY HE'S WEIGHING 175 POUNDS, THEN  
6    GOES UP TO 400 POUNDS AND BACK DOWN TO 175 POUNDS, OR AN  
7    INDIVIDUAL GROWS BY, WHAT, FIVE, SIX, SEVEN INCHES ONE DAY AND  
8    SHRINKS THE NEXT DAY, YOU KNOW, THEIR CARE IS BEING  
9    JEOPARDIZED BY WHAT'S ON THOSE MEDICAL CHARTS. AND, WHEN THEY  
10   MAKE MISTAKES ON THOSE MEDICAL CHARTS, THAT'S HOW YOU END UP  
11   WITH PATIENTS HAVING INSTRUMENTS LEFT IN THEM AFTER SURGERIES  
12   AND OTHER TYPES OF EVENTS THAT HAVE OCCURRED AT THE HOSPITAL.  
13   AND WE NEED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES. AND WE TALKED ABOUT  
14   THIS AND NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT. I BELIEVE IT OUGHT TO PERHAPS  
15   COME BACK ON SEPTEMBER 28TH. BECAUSE, IF THE DROP DEAD DATE IS  
16   OCTOBER 1ST, THIS WOULD ALLOW US TO TAKE ACTIONS OR ANY OTHER  
17   TYPES OF REFORMS OR ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS, WHATEVER, BUT IT  
18   GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. IT GIVES US A  
19   TIMELY MANNER TO HAVE IT COME BACK ON SEPTEMBER 28TH, AND IT  
20   PREDATES THE OCTOBER 1ST DROP DEAD DATE THAT WOULD TIE OUR  
21   HANDS. SO MAKING THAT MODIFICATION, JUST HAVING THE DATE OF  
22   SEPTEMBER 28TH SO THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TIME. CALL FOR THE  
23   QUESTION.  
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25   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT'S BEFORE US?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE MOTION THAT I READ.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THOUGHT THAT-- OH, YOUR MOTION?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES. JUST CHANGING THE DATE TO SEPTEMBER

9 28TH.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** HAS YOUR MOTION BEEN AMENDED? DID YOU ACCEPT HIS

12 AMENDMENT TO CLOSE...

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, I'M SAYING-- HE'S SAYING...

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** CLOSE THE MEDICAL-- TERMINATE...

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. NO, HIS MOTION WAS OCTOBER 1ST.

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20 **SUP. BURKE:** NO, HIS MOTION WAS TO TERMINATE OCTOBER 1ST.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. MY MOTION WAS THAT, IF THERE WAS GOING

23 TO BE AN EXTENSION OF THE TERMINATION DATE, THAT IT SHOULD BE

24 UNTIL OCTOBER 1ST RATHER THAN NOVEMBER, THAT'S ALL. THAT'S MY

25 MOTION, SEPARATE FROM WHAT I WAS RUMINATING ABOUT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT WE'RE SAYING IS HAVING IT SEPTEMBER  
3 28TH COMING...

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, OKAY. I THOUGHT YOU MEANT...

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** COMING BACK SEPTEMBER 28TH INSTEAD OF  
8 OCTOBER 1.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S FINE. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO IT.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
13 MOLINA AS AMENDED. SO ORDERED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE NISEI COURT IS HERE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS PAST WEEK WAS THE 64TH  
20 ANNUAL NISEI WEEK JAPANESE FESTIVAL REPRESENTING THE RICH  
21 CULTURE AND PROUD HERITAGE OF JAPANESE-AMERICANS IN LOS  
22 ANGELES COUNTY WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN A  
23 WONDERFUL PARADE ON SUNDAY AND A VERY ELOQUENT DINNER AND  
24 PROGRAM ON SATURDAY EVENING, WHICH WAS EXTREMELY WELL  
25 ORGANIZED, PUNCTUAL, AND EACH OF THE YOUNG LADIES DID A SUPERB



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1 JOB IN THEIR ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE AND REPRESENT THEIR  
2 COMMUNITY. THIS FESTIVAL PROMOTES JAPANESE CULTURE THROUGH  
3 SEVERAL EVENTS INCLUDING THOSE EXHIBITS. THE FESTIVAL COURT IS  
4 HERE TODAY WITH FRANCIS HACHIMOTO, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
5 LITTLE TOKYO BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, AND ALSO PREVIOUS MISS  
6 NISEI WEEK, WAS IT 1980? 1982, WAS IT? ANYWAY, FIRST WE WOULD  
7 LIKE TO MAKE THESE FOLLOWING PRESENTATIONS RECOGNIZING  
8 PRINCESS GAYLE NAITO. GAYLE'S GRANDFATHER IS A VERY GOOD  
9 FRIEND, JACK, AND SUPPORTER OF MINE, AND IT WAS A PLEASURE TO  
10 SEE HIM AT THE DINNER AS WELL. GAYLE IS 22. SHE RECEIVED HER  
11 BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT  
12 FULLERTON AS AN ETHNICS STUDIES MAJOR WITH AN EMPHASIS IN  
13 ASIAN-AMERICAN STUDIES. SHE ASPIRES TO BE AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
14 TEACHER AND ENJOYS PRACTICING AKINDO AND TAE KWAN DO. SHE  
15 PLAYS THE PIANO AND SNOWBOARDS. SHE'S SPONSORED BY THE WEST  
16 LOS ANGELES JAPANESE-AMERICAN CITIZEN LEAGUE AND AUXILIARY AND  
17 THE VENICE JAPANESE COMMUNITY CENTER AND SHE CHOSE THE  
18 AMERICAN RED CROSS AS HER NISEI WEEK PLATFORM. [ APPLAUSE ]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PRINCESS HEATHER NAGANO IS 25 YEARS OLD,  
21 GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES WITH A  
22 DEGREE IN HISTORY AND A MULTIPLE SUBJECT TEACHING CREDENTIAL.  
23 SHE'S TAUGHT ENGLISH IN JAPAN AND IS NOW PURSUING A MASTER'S  
24 DEGREE IN EDUCATION AND IS A THIRD GRADE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
25 TEACHER. SHE ENJOYS DANCING, TRAVELING, AND COLLECTING



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1 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE. SHE'S SPONSORED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY  
2 NIKKEI COORDINATING COUNCIL AND HER NATIONAL NISEI WEEK  
3 PLATFORM IS THE NATIONAL MARROW DONOR PROGRAM. [ APPLAUSE ]  
4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PRINCESS JILL IGARASHI IS 21 YEARS OLD, AND  
6 SHE GRADUATED FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT FULLERTON  
7 WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN LIBERAL STUDIES AND A MULTIPLE  
8 SUBJECT TEACHING CREDENTIAL. SHE WANTS TO BE AN ELEMENTARY  
9 SCHOOL TEACHER. SHE ENJOYS VOLUNTEERING AT THE ELEMENTARY  
10 SCHOOL, SNOWBOARDING, WATCHING INDEPENDENT FILMS AND SHOPPING.  
11 SHE WAS SPONSORED BY THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY JAPANESE  
12 COMMUNITY CENTER, AND HER NISEI PLATFORM WAS "READING BY  
13 NINE." [ APPLAUSE ]  
14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MISS TAMADACHI, WHICH IS MISS FRIENDSHIP, IS  
16 JENA IWATA. SHE IS SPONSORED BY THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY  
17 JAPANESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER AND COORDINATING COUNCIL.  
18 SHE'S 22 YEARS OLD, A GRADUATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
19 AT NORTHRIDGE, WHERE SHE RECEIVED A DEGREE IN COMMUNICATION  
20 STUDIES AND WAS AWARDED THE ARNSTAN SCHOLARSHIP AS OUTSTANDING  
21 UNDERGRADUATE FOR THE CLASS SENIOR OF 2004. SHE ENJOYS ACTING  
22 AND READERS THEATRE, PARTICIPATING IN SPEECH AND DEBATE,  
23 PLAYING THE PIANO AND DRUMS AND ALSO IS A GREASE MONKEY WHO  
24 HAS THE ABILITY TO OVERHAUL ENGINES. [ APPLAUSE ]  
25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST PRINCESS IS CRYSTAL FUKUMOTO, WHO  
2    GRADUATED FROM OR ATTENDS AT THE UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA, IRVINE  
3    WHERE SHE'S MAJORING IN ECONOMICS. SHE CURRENTLY WORKS FOR THE  
4    LOS ANGELES DODGERS PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT AND COMPLETED  
5    THE LOS ANGELES MARATHON THIS YEAR. SHE ENJOYS SOCCER,  
6    SOFTBALL, AND TRAVELING AND IS SPONSORED BY THE JAPANESE  
7    RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SHE CHOSE THE  
8    LOS ANGELES DODGERS DREAM FOUNDATION AS HER NISEI WEEK  
9    PLATFORM. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS WEEK'S-- OR THIS YEAR'S NISEI QUEEN IS  
12   NIKKI KODAMA, WHO GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
13   LOS ANGELES, WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN MECHANICAL  
14   ENGINEERING. SHE'S CURRENTLY A DESIGN ENGINEER OF THE FA-18  
15   PROGRAM AT NORTHROP-GRUMMAN, SO SHE'S BUILDING OUR AIRPLANES  
16   THAT ARE FLYING TODAY. SHE SPENDS HER FREE TIME DANCING,  
17   VOLUNTEERING FOR THE L.A. WORKS ORGANIZATION, AND TRAVELING.  
18   SHE'S SPONSORED BY THE LITTLE TOKYO ALLIANCE CLUB AND, DURING  
19   HER YEAR AS NISEI WEEK'S, HER PLATFORM WILL FOCUS ON THE  
20   AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FOR THE SIXTH ANNUAL NISEI WEEK PLATFORM  
23   JAPANESE FESTIVAL, WE HAVE MICHELLE ESA MASSEYVOKA FOR THE  
24   PROCLAMATION. FRANCES, DO YOU WANT TO COME UP HERE, TOO? [  
25   APPLAUSE ]





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE THE QUEEN SAY A FEW WORDS AND THEN YOU  
3 CAN SAY A FEW WORDS.

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5 **NIKKI KODAMA:** HI. ON BEHALF OF THE 2004 NISEI WEEK COURT, I  
6 JUST REALLY WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND  
7 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF NISEI  
8 WEEK, THE FESTIVAL, THE JAPANESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND ALSO  
9 THE LITTLE TOKYO AREA. THIS HAS BEEN A GREAT EXPERIENCE FOR  
10 ALL OF US INVOLVED, SO WE JUST WANTED TO SHOW OUR  
11 APPRECIATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

12

13 **NIKKI KODAMA:** AND, AS A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION, WE HAVE  
14 SOME COMMEMORATIVE BOOKS FOR YOU, AND THIS ONE IS FOR YOU AND  
15 WE HAVE ONE FOR EACH ONE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS. SO THANK YOU SO  
16 MUCH.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND I WANT TO THANK  
19 EVERYBODY FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT, MAKES OUR JOBS A LITTLE BIT  
20 EASIER IN ALL THAT WE DO AND JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN. [  
21 APPLAUSE ]

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU.

24

25 **ALL:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ARE YOU THROUGH?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, NEVER THROUGH. OKAY. LET ME CALL UP ITEM  
5 NUMBER 5. FIRST, I KNOW THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE  
6 SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AND ALSO WE HAVE SOME OTHER PEOPLE WHO WANT  
7 TO ASK QUESTIONS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** LINDA GLEDHILL I BELIEVE IT'S DR. KEVIN  
10 KAISERMAN, KEN BERSTEIN. OKAY. GO AHEAD AND IDENTIFY YOURSELF  
11 AND PROCEED.

12

13 **LINDA GLEDHILL:** MY NAME IS LINDA GLEDHILL. I AM THE DIRECTOR  
14 OF SPECIAL GIFTS FOR THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION FOR  
15 CALIFORNIA. I WANT TO FIRST OF ALL THANK THE BOARD OF  
16 SUPERVISORS, IN PARTICULAR, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND  
17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, FOR BRINGING THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE TO THIS  
18 GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS. THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION  
19 SUPPORTS STEM CELL BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH PROVIDING IT IS  
20 CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NATIONAL BIOETHICS  
21 ADVISORY COMMISSION. THE ORGANIZATION IS A MEMBER OF THE  
22 CALIFORNIA STEM CELL RESEARCH AND CURES INITIATIVE PROP 71,  
23 WHICH WILL BE ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER. THE AMERICAN DIABETES  
24 ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN ON THE FOREFRONT OF EFFORTS INCREASING  
25 FEDERAL FUNDING FOR DIABETES RESEARCH IN PARTICULAR STEM CELL



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1 RESEARCH, WHERE THE ORGANIZATION NOW FUNDS OVER \$4 MILLION OF  
2 THIS IMPORTANT BREAKTHROUGH RESEARCH. THERE ARE 18.2 MILLION  
3 AMERICANS WITH DIABETES. IT IS THE SIXTH LEADING CAUSE OF  
4 DEATH IN THE UNITED STATES, CONTRIBUTING TO OVER 213,000  
5 AMERICANS EVERY YEAR. IT'S A CHRONIC, DISABLING DISEASE. THE  
6 LEADING CAUSE OF END STAGE RENAL FAILURE, LOWER EXTREMITIES,  
7 AND THE ECONOMIC COST IS TREMENDOUS. \$132 BILLION SPENT LAST  
8 YEAR IN HEALTHCARE DOLLARS. WHILE PROGRESS IS BEING MADE IN  
9 THE TREATMENT AND DETECTION OF DIABETES, A CURE FOR THE  
10 DISEASE HAS NOT BEEN DISCOVERED. SCIENTISTS BELIEVE STEM CELL  
11 RESEARCH WILL LEAD TO A CURE FOR THIS DEBILITATING DISEASE,  
12 SAVING MILLIONS OF LIVES AND BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THANK YOU SO  
13 MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORT OF PROP 71.

14  
15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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17 **DR. KEVIN KAISERMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THE  
18 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 71, THE  
19 CALIFORNIA STEM CELL RESEARCH AND CURES INITIATIVE. MY NAME IS  
20 KEVIN KAISERMAN AND I CURRENTLY SERVE AS THE PHYSICIAN  
21 DIRECTOR OF THE CLINICAL DIABETES PROGRAM AT CHILDREN'S  
22 HOSPITAL, LOS ANGELES. IN MY ROLE AS A PEDIATRIC DIABETES  
23 SPECIALIST, I SHARE IN THE DAILY STRUGGLES OF CHILDREN AND  
24 FAMILIES LIVING WITH THE CONSTANT BURDEN OF DIABETES. THE  
25 DIABETES ROUTINE REQUIRES MULTIPLE DAILY PAINFUL BLOOD TESTS,



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1 INSULIN INJECTIONS, AND A NEVER-ENDING EVALUATION OF FOOD  
2 INTAKE AND ACTIVITY LEVEL. YET, DESPITE ALL OF THESE EFFORTS,  
3 AFFECTED CHILDREN LIVE UNDER THE CONSTANT FEAR OF SHORT-TERM  
4 COMPLICATIONS, SUCH AS HAVING A SEIZURE FROM A LOW BLOOD SUGAR  
5 REACTION, AND LONG-TERM COMPLICATIONS, INCLUDING BLINDNESS,  
6 KIDNEY FAILURE, AMPUTATIONS, AND HEART DISEASE. WHILE THE LAST  
7 DECADE HAS SEEN MANY ADVANCES IN THE TREATMENT OF DIABETES  
8 THAT HAVE IMPROVED THE LIVES OF THESE CHILDREN AND THEIR  
9 FAMILIES, ONE HOPE REMAINS PARAMOUNT IN THE HEARTS AND MINDS  
10 OF THOSE AFFLICTED: THE DREAM THAT A CURE FOR DIABETES WILL BE  
11 FOUND IN THEIR LIFETIMES. STEM CELL RESEARCH IS ONE PROMISING  
12 AVENUE THAT MAY LEAD TO THAT CURE, NOT ONLY FOR DIABETES, BUT  
13 FOR A RANGE OF CHRONIC ILLNESSES AFFECTING MILLIONS OF  
14 CALIFORNIANS. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
15 FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP AND CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORT FOR  
16 PROPOSITION 71. TYPE I DIABETES AND THE EMERGING EPIDEMIC OF  
17 TYPE II DIABETES IN CHILDREN CONTINUES TO PLACE THE SEVERE  
18 BURDEN ON OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AFFECTING MEMBERS OF ALL  
19 SOCIAL CLASSES AND ETHNIC GROUPS. THE POTENTIAL SAVINGS FROM  
20 THE CURE OF DIABETES AND ALL OF THE HORRIFIC COMPLICATIONS IN  
21 REAL DOLLARS IS STAGGERING, AND THE REDUCTION IN HUMAN  
22 SUFFERING IS BEYOND CALCULATION. I HAVE JUST RECENTLY RETURNED  
23 FROM SPENDING NINE DAYS AT OUR LOCAL DIABETES CAMP WHERE I  
24 SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND AS THEIR  
25 MEDICAL DIRECTOR. LIVING WITH 112 TEENAGERS WITH DIABETES WAS



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1 HUMBLING AND INSPIRING. WATCHING THEIR DAY-TO-DAY STRUGGLE  
2 WITH DIABETES, I WAS AGAIN REMINDED OF THE INCREDIBLE EFFORT  
3 THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS MAKE EACH AND EVERY DAY. AT THE END OF  
4 THE CAMPING SEASON, AS THE ADOLESCENTS GATHER TO SAY GOOD-BYE,  
5 ONE WISH IS EXPRESSED YEAR AFTER YEAR, THE HOPE THAT THE DAY  
6 WILL COME WHEN THE NEED FOR SPECIALIZED CAMPS FOR CHILDREN  
7 WITH DIABETES WILL BE A THING OF THE PAST AND DIABETES WILL  
8 ONLY BE A PAINFUL MEMORY. ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE CHILDREN  
9 WITH DIABETES AND THEIR FAMILIES THAT SHARE THE DREAM OF  
10 FINDING A CURE, I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 71.  
11 THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D ASK CHEYENNE COOK AND JULIE  
14 BUCKNER TO JOIN US UP HERE, PLEASE. YES, SIR. GOOD.

15

16 **KEN BERNSTEIN:** YES. HI. MY NAME IS KEN BERNSTEIN AND I'M GOING  
17 TO TALK TO YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT TWO ISSUES. ONE, DOES STEM  
18 CELL REALLY WORK? AND I CAN GIVE YOU A QUANTITATIVE ANSWER  
19 BECAUSE I AM LIVING PROOF. IN THE YEAR 2002 AND 2003, AFTER  
20 SUFFERING FROM DIABETES FOR ALMOST 50 YEARS, I WAS GIVEN THE  
21 OPPORTUNITY TO BE A PART OF AN F.D.A. TRIAL WHERE I WAS  
22 TRANSPLANTED WITH CLOSE TO ONE MILLION ISLET CELLS INTO MY  
23 LIVER. SINCE THAT TIME, MY DIABETES HAS BEEN REVERSED. THE BIG  
24 PROBLEM WE HAVE, HOWEVER, IS THERE JUST AREN'T ENOUGH CADAVER  
25 ISLETS AVAILABLE AND SO THE ONLY WAY THAT WE CAN CURE DIABETES



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1 IN CHILDREN AND OTHER PEOPLE WITH TYPE I DIABETES IS TO DO  
2 STEM CELL RESEARCH, TO BE ABLE TO TRAIN THOSE CELLS TO BE  
3 INSULIN-PRODUCING CELLS. WHAT WE'VE REALLY BEEN ABLE TO  
4 ACCOMPLISH IS THAT WE'VE TAKEN THE RESEARCH FROM LARGE ANIMALS  
5 TO HUMAN BEINGS SUCCESSFULLY. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN  
6 HISTORY THAT A MAJOR DISEASE LIKE DIABETES HAS BEEN REVERSED  
7 THROUGH RESEARCH. THE OTHER POINT I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU  
8 ABOUT A LITTLE BIT IS THE COST. IT'S \$295 MILLION, I THINK, IN  
9 10 YEARS FOR THIS PROPOSITION 71. HOWEVER, IN THAT SAME 10-  
10 YEAR PERIOD, THE SAVINGS ALONE, IF DIABETES IS CURED, WOULD BE  
11 CLOSE TO \$2 TRILLION. I'M AN INVESTMENT BANKER AND, FROM AN  
12 INVESTMENT BANKING SITUATION, THAT'S A WONDERFUL RETURN ON MY  
13 INVESTMENT. SO I THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF  
14 PROPOSITION 71 AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE DAY WHEN WE  
15 CAN NO LONGER SAY THAT DIABETES IS THE NUMBER SIX KILLER, IT'S  
16 ELIMINATED. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MARK SIEGEL. GO AHEAD.

19

20 **MARK SIEGEL:** THANK YOU. YES.

21

22 **CHEYENNE COOK:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, MY NAME  
23 IS CHEYENNE COOK, PUBLIC POLICY MANAGER AT THE LOS ANGELES  
24 AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I'M HERE TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR  
25 STEM CELL RESEARCH BEYOND THE HEALTHCARE REASONS TO SUPPORT





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1 THIS. WE FEEL THAT THE ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF JOB GROWTH, TAXABLE  
2 INCOME WILL ONLY STIMULATE L.A.'S ECONOMY. AGAIN, WE WISH YOU  
3 TO SUPPORT THIS AND THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE CHAMBER TOOK A POSITION OF  
6 SUPPORT, TOO, RIGHT?

7

8 **CHEYENNE COOK:** YES. FORMALLY.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** FORMALLY. RIGHT. ARNIE BERGHOFF. IS ARNIE  
11 STILL HERE?

12

13 **CHEYENNE COOK:** HE HAD TO LEAVE, SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **MARK SIEGEL:** JULIE ASKED ME TO GO NEXT. MY NAME IS MARK  
18 SIEGEL. SIX YEARS AGO, I WAS DIAGNOSED WITH PARKINSON'S  
19 DISEASE. IT HASN'T BEEN MENTIONED YET THIS MORNING BUT IT HAS  
20 HAD A VERY BIG IMPACT ON MY LIFE. I AM-- SHUFFLE DOWN THE  
21 STREET AND MY-- I GET DISCONNECTED FROM MY MIND AND MY WORDS  
22 AND SPEND ABOUT \$1,500 A MONTH RETAIL ON MEDICINE TO TREAT THE  
23 DISEASE. THERE IS NO CURE FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE BUT STEM  
24 CELL RESEARCH HOLDS A GREAT DEAL OF HOPE AND POSSIBILITIES. I  
25 SUPPORT PROP 71. I'M CURRENTLY WORKING FOR A.F.S.C.M.E. AS--



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1 IN COUNSEL 36, AND THEY HAVE ENDORSED PROP 71, AS HAS THE  
2 AMERICAN PARKINSON'S DISEASE ASSOCIATION AND MOST OF THE  
3 PARKINSON'S ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATE. SO I WOULD WELCOME  
4 YOUR SUPPORT FOR PROP 71 AND BRING FORTH A CURE FOR THE  
5 HUNDRED THOUSAND CALIFORNIANS THAT HAVE PARKINSON'S DISEASE.

6

7 **JULIE BUCKNER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JULIE BUCKNER. I'M HERE  
8 REPRESENTING YES ON 71 CALIFORNIANS FOR STEM CELL RESEARCH AND  
9 CURES CAMPAIGN. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
10 TODAY, IN PARTICULAR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR  
11 MOLINA, SUPERVISOR BURKE. OUR CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN TOUCHED WITH  
12 EACH ONE OF YOU AND YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. AND  
13 I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE BOARD FOR ITS LEADERSHIP. IT'S  
14 THE FIRST COUNTY IN CALIFORNIA TO CONSIDER TAKING AN OFFICIAL  
15 POSITION ON THIS INITIATIVE. WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH COUNTIES  
16 THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AS WELL, AND I  
17 BELIEVE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION  
18 AND WILL HEAR THE RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE AND THEN FULL  
19 COUNCIL NEXT WEEK. BUT IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING, THANK YOU FOR  
20 YOUR LEADERSHIP AND ALWAYS BEING ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF  
21 IMPORTANT SOCIAL ISSUES AND MEDICAL ISSUES. THE ONLY OTHER  
22 COMMENT I HAVE, AND I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, IF  
23 YOU HAVE THEM, ABOUT THE PROPOSITION, ABOUT THE MEASURE, THIS  
24 CAMPAIGN HAS PUT TOGETHER AN UNPRECEDENTED COALITION OF  
25 SUPPORTERS FROM EVERY REGION OF THE STATE, AT BOTH THE STATE



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1 GOVERNMENT LEVEL, FEDERAL POLITICAL LEADERS, LOCAL LEADERS  
2 LIKE YOURSELVES BUT, IN ADDITION TO THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP  
3 ALSO, WHAT I THINK IS SO UNIQUE AND UNPRECEDENTED ABOUT THIS  
4 INITIATIVE IS THE NUMBER OF DOCTORS, RESEARCHERS, AND  
5 SCIENTISTS THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER IN SUPPORT OF THIS  
6 INITIATIVE, TOGETHER WITH PATIENT AND DISEASE GROUP ADVOCATES  
7 LIKE THE A.D.A. COMMUNITY AND THE PARKINSON'S COMMUNITY WHO  
8 ARE REPRESENTED HERE TODAY, BUT ALSO FOLKS FROM SPINAL CORD  
9 INJURY COMMUNITY AND H.I.V./A.I.D.S. AND A HOST OF OTHER  
10 ILLNESSES THAT HAVE POTENTIAL CURES AND TREATMENTS IN STEM  
11 CELL RESEARCH. AND WE ALSO HAVE A NUMBER OF FAITH LEADERS,  
12 CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND LOCAL RABBIS AND BISHOPS  
13 AND MINISTERS WHO ARE SUPPORTING THIS AS WELL ECONOMISTS AND  
14 BUSINESS GROUPS LIKE THE CHAMBER. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL  
15 OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR COALITION, SOME OF WHOM ARE REPRESENTED  
16 HERE TODAY BUT THOSE MANY, MANY, MANY MORE THAT ARE NOT. THANK  
17 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE VERY MUCH.

18  
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

20  
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME MAKE SOME COMMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN. STEM  
22 CELL RESEARCH IS VITAL. IN FACT, THERE'S BIPARTISAN  
23 LEGISLATION RIGHT NOW IN CONGRESS BY SENATOR ORRIN HATCH AND  
24 SENATOR DIANE FEINSTEIN WHICH ESTABLISHES A NATIONAL CORD,  
25 BLOOD STEM CELL BANK NETWORK, AND CALIFORNIA DOES NEED A



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1 RESPONSIBLE APPROACH TO STEM CELL RESEARCH THAT ADDRESSES THE  
2 ISSUE BUT PROPOSITION 71 IS REALLY A TROJAN HORSE BECAUSE IT  
3 SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITS FUNDING FOR THE ONLY TWO SOURCES OF  
4 STEM CELLS THAT ACTUALLY CURE A PATIENT: CORD BLOOD AND ADULT  
5 STEM CELLS. IN THE ISSUE OF SICKLE CELL ANEMIA, EMBRYONIC STEM  
6 CELLS DO NOT HAVE ANY ABILITIES TO CURE BUT THEY HAVE A 90%  
7 SICKLE CELL ANEMIA SUCCESS RATE WITH CORD BLOOD CELLS. OF THE  
8 \$6 BILLION FIGURE THAT IT WILL COST THE STATE, AND THIS IS AT  
9 A REALLY PRECARIOUS TIME WHEN THE STATE IS AT THE-- IN A  
10 ECONOMIC DOWNTURN, NOW BEGINNING TO GET OUT OF AN ECONOMIC  
11 DEPRESSION, 50% OF THIS COST IS INTEREST. 50% IS INTEREST. 10%  
12 GOES TO REAL ESTATE FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT, 6% GOES TO  
13 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, AND 1.8 BILLION OF THE 6 BILLION  
14 ACTUALLY FUNDS RESEARCH. BUT WHAT I FOUND WAS INTERESTING, THE  
15 BIGGEST GROUP THAT HAS PROVIDED FUNDING FOR THIS INITIATIVE  
16 ARE THE REAL ESTATE INTERESTS AND THE BIOTECH INTERESTS. ONE  
17 OF THE INDIVIDUALS-- LET ME GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE, WHO HAS  
18 PROVIDED \$1 BILLION, IS THE FIRM KLEINER, PERKINS, COUGHFIELD  
19 AND BUYERS WHICH FUNDS SEVERAL HEALTHCARE, BIOTECH-RELATED  
20 COMPANIES. THEIR TWO PARTNERS AND SPOUSES GAVE \$2.5 MILLION  
21 FOR THIS INITIATIVE. ROBERT KLEIN OF THE KLEIN FINANCIAL  
22 ORIGINALLY DONATED 500,000 BUT NOW HAS DONATED \$1 MILLION AND  
23 IT'S BECAUSE OF THE ISSUE DEALING WITH REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT  
24 AND FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, THIS DOES  
25 NOT FUND ALL STEM CELL RESEARCH. IT'S SPECIFICALLY LIMITED TO



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1 ONE TYPE OF STEM CELL AND THE ONLY RESULTS HAVE BEEN IN THE  
2 SCIENTIFIC STUDIES NOW IN PRODUCING RATS' CANCEROUS TUMORS.  
3 THERE'S BEEN NO RELATIONSHIP TO-- OR BENEFIT FOR ALZHEIMER'S  
4 OR OTHER TYPES OF DISEASES. THE STEM CELLS THAT HAVE HAD A  
5 SUCCESS RECORD ARE CORD STEM CELLS AND ADULT STEM CELLS. SO,  
6 AS I SAID EARLIER, THIS IS MORE OF A TROJAN HORSE THAT IS  
7 ATTEMPTING TO LOCK US INTO ONE PARTICULAR TYPE OF RESEARCH  
8 INSTEAD OF RESEARCHING STEM CELLS AS WE NEED TO HAVE AND AS IS  
9 BEING DONE TODAY. SO WHY SHOULD THE CALIFORNIA VOTERS LOCK  
10 THEMSELVES INTO ONE TYPE OF STEM CELL, WHICH HAS HAD NO  
11 RESULTS OF SUCCESS ANYWHERE IN THE NATION, AND LOCK US IN AT  
12 \$6 BILLION? SO THAT IS WHY MANY DOCTORS AND OTHERS ARE  
13 OPPOSING THIS PROPOSITION THAT'S ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I GUESS THERE ARE A LOT OF REASONS ONE COULD  
20 OPPOSE THIS: IDEOLOGICAL, PHILOSOPHICAL REASONS, BUT THIS WAS  
21 THE MOST INTERESTING ONE I'VE HEARD BEFORE-- I'VE HEARD OF.  
22 STEM CELL RESEARCH IS SCIENCE AND IT'S SCIENCE THAT WILL SAVE  
23 LIVES. YOU JUST HEARD SOME VERY PERSUASIVE AND COMPELLING  
24 TESTIMONY FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM DISEASES  
25 WHICH COULD BE HELPED AND WHO COULD BE HELPED BY THIS KIND OF



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1 RESEARCH. I, MYSELF, AM A DIABETES-- A PERSON WITH DIABETES,  
2 TYPE II DIABETES. I'M LUCKY. I'M NOT A TYPE I DIABETIC. I  
3 DIDN'T HAVE IT AS A JUVENILE. ARNIE BURGHOFF, WHO HAD TO LEAVE  
4 EARLY, HIS DAUGHTER, I THINK WE ALL KNOW QUITE WELL BUT SHE  
5 AND TENS OF THOUSANDS OF OTHER CHILDREN HAVE HAD TO LIVE WITH  
6 GROWING UP WITH TYPE I DIABETES. TO ME, IT IS ABSOLUTELY  
7 UNTHINKABLE THAT THIS COUNTRY, FROM THE NATIONAL LEVEL ON DOWN  
8 TO THE LOCAL LEVEL, WOULD NOT DO EVERYTHING IN ITS POWER,  
9 LEAVE NO STONE AND NO DOLLAR UNTURNED IN THE INTEREST OF  
10 PURSUING RESEARCH THAT WILL CURE THESE DISEASES. NOT ONLY WILL  
11 IT SAVE LIVES, IT WILL IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE LIVES OF THE  
12 PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD THESE DISEASES. AND, FOR ME, IT GETS TO  
13 THE BOTTOM LINE ISSUE THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE THEIR OWN  
14 PHILOSOPHICAL POINT OF VIEW, DRIVEN BY WHATEVER REASON, AN  
15 AGENDA, AND THEY'RE ENTITLED TO THEIR AGENDA, BUT WHAT THEY'RE  
16 NOT ENTITLED TO DO IS TO HAVE OTHER PEOPLE SUFFER AS A RESULT  
17 OF THEIR NARROW AGENDA. WE HAVE NOT HAD THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP  
18 AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL IN THE LAST THREE YEARS THAT I WOULD  
19 HAVE PREFERRED ON THIS ISSUE. I THINK IT'S PRETTY COMMON  
20 KNOWLEDGE. PEOPLE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE UNDERSTAND THAT.  
21 EVEN REPUBLICANS IN THE CONGRESS UNDERSTAND THAT WE NEED TO  
22 MOVE FASTER AND FARTHER THAN THE ADMINISTRATION HAS MOVED.  
23 THIS MEASURE, WHICH IS SUPPORTED BY JUST ABOUT EVERY, IF NOT  
24 EVERY, ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING EVERY DISEASE THAT COULD BE  
25 HELPED, FROM A.I.D.S. TO PARKINSON'S DISEASE TO DIABETES TO





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1    CANCER, THE CHRISTOPHER REEVES' PARALYSIS FOUNDATION, JUVENILE  
2    DIABETES ASSOCIATION, TAY SACHS FOUNDATION, LEUKEMIA AND  
3    LYMPHOMA SOCIETY, THE MICHAEL J. FOX FOUNDATION FOR  
4    PARKINSON'S RESEARCH, NATIONAL BRAIN TUMOR FOUNDATION, CYSTIC  
5    FIBROSIS RESEARCH, ELIZABETH GLAZER PEDIATRIC AIDS FOUNDATION,  
6    THE SICKLE CELL DISEASE FOUNDATION, AMERICAN NURSES  
7    ASSOCIATION, AMONG MANY OTHERS. THESE PEOPLE DIDN'T ENDORSE IT  
8    BECAUSE IT'S A GOOD REAL ESTATE DEAL, MICHAEL. THEY DON'T HAVE  
9    TO ENDORSE SOMETHING IF THEY DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO SOLVE  
10    THEIR PROBLEM. PARKINSON'S-- MICHAEL J. FOX PARKINSON'S  
11    FOUNDATION DID NOT ENDORSE THIS BECAUSE IT'S THE POLITICALLY  
12    CORRECT THING TO DO. THEY ENDORSED IT BECAUSE THEY THINK IT  
13    COULD HELP SOLVE AND CURE PARKINSON'S DISEASE. AND THE  
14    ELIZABETH GLAZER PEDIATRIC AIDS FOUNDATION DIDN'T ENDORSE THIS  
15    BECAUSE THEY'RE IN THE BUSINESS OF ENDORSING POLITICAL  
16    MEASURES. THEY ENDORSED IT BECAUSE THEY THINK IT CAN DO  
17    SOMETHING TO CURE PEDIATRIC A.I.D.S., AND YOU COULD GO DOWN  
18    THE LINE. SO TALK ABOUT A TROJAN HORSE AND A RED HERRING.  
19    WE'LL JUST LEAVE THAT ASIDE. THIS IS A-- THIS NOT ONLY WILL  
20    HELP RESEARCH IN CALIFORNIA. THE WAY THIS MEASURE IS DRAFTED,  
21    THE MAJOR UNIVERSITIES OF THIS STATE WILL BE PARTNERS IN THIS  
22    RESEARCH, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, U.C.L.A.,  
23    DAVIS, SAN FRANCISCO, BERKELEY, AMONG OTHERS, WILL BE A  
24    PARTNER IN THIS RESEARCH AND A PARTNER IN PURSUING THE  
25    RESEARCH THAT THIS MEASURE WILL FUND. AND I'LL JUST SAY



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1 CALIFORNIA CAN LEAD THE WAY FOR THE NATION IF IT APPROVES THIS  
2 MEASURE. THAT'S REALLY, ASIDE FROM HAVING A QUANTITATIVE AND  
3 QUALITATIVE IMPACT ON THE DISEASES THAT COULD BE ADDRESSED BY  
4 STEM CELL RESEARCH, I THINK THE COROLLARY BENEFIT OF THIS  
5 MEASURE PASSING IS THAT IT WILL SEND A MESSAGE ACROSS THE  
6 UNITED STATES AND TO THE WHITE HOUSE AND TO BOTH HOUSES OF  
7 CONGRESS THAT PEOPLE WANT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH TO HELP CURE  
8 DISEASE AND IMPROVE THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. THEY DON'T WANT  
9 ANYTHING TO STAND IN ITS WAY. I THINK THIS IS IMPORTANT FOR  
10 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M PLEASED THAT WE'RE THE FIRST COUNTY TO  
11 CONSIDER ENDORSING. I HOPE WE WILL ENDORSE IT TODAY AND IT'S  
12 APPROPRIATE FOR THIS COUNTY TO DO IT. THIS IS THE LARGEST  
13 COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES. IT'S A COUNTY WITH ONE OF THE  
14 LARGEST PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEMS IN THE WORLD. WE KNOW BETTER  
15 THAN ANYBODY WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THESE DISEASES, WHAT THE  
16 COST OF THESE DISEASES ARE, BOTH FINANCIALLY AND IN HUMAN  
17 TERMS. SO I WOULD URGE FOR AN AYE VOTE ON THIS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST POINT OUT THAT A MEMBER  
20 BRINGS IN NATIONAL POLITICS. JUST TO RESPOND TO THAT. NEARLY  
21 \$200 MILLION IN FISCAL YEAR '03 FOR RESEARCH, WHICH WAS THE  
22 FIRST FUNDING, FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THIS TYPE OF RESEARCH, WAS  
23 APPROVED AND IS BEING DONE BUT THE PROVISION IN PROPOSITION 71  
24 THAT MAKES IT A TROJAN HORSE IS THE FACT IT TALKS ABOUT STEM  
25 CELL RESEARCH AND CURES ACT BUT IT SPECIFICALLY ELIMINATES



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1 RESEARCH ON ADULT STEM CELLS, ON OTHER TYPES OF STEM CELLS. IT  
2 RESTRICTS IT TO ONE AREA ONLY, WHICH, AS OF TO DATE, HAS ONLY  
3 RESULTED IN CAUSING CANCEROUS TUMORS IN RATS. IF THEY WERE TO  
4 BE TRUTHFUL IN THEIR STEM CELL RESEARCH CURES INITIATIVE, THEY  
5 WOULD INCLUDE FUNDING FOR ALL TYPES OF STEM CELLS, WHICH THEY  
6 DON'T. THEY DO NOT SPECIFICALLY, AND AT SECTION 125.281.11 OF  
7 ARTICLE ONE. THAT'S THE PROBLEM. AMONG OTHERS.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE A SISTER-IN-LAW WHOSE SON IS A  
10 QUADRIPLLEGIC. HE WAS IN AN ACCIDENT WHEN HE WAS 18 YEARS-- OR  
11 17 YEARS OLD, RIGHT BEFORE HE GRADUATED, AND SHE'S NEVER BEEN  
12 VERY POLITICAL AND IS NOT IN THIS STATE BUT IT IS BEYOND HER  
13 AS TO WHY SHE DOES NOT UNDERSTAND-- SHE UNDERSTANDS WHAT STEM  
14 CELL RESEARCH MIGHT DO TO MAKE HER SON'S LIFE A LITTLE BIT  
15 BETTER, AND MAYBE EVEN REVITALIZE HIM, BUT SHE DOESN'T  
16 UNDERSTAND THE POLITICS OF IT. I'VE TRIED TO EXPLAIN IT TO HER  
17 AND SHE'S VERY CATHOLIC AND YET, AT THE SAME TIME, SHE DOESN'T  
18 UNDERSTAND WHY GOVERNMENT ISN'T-- OR POLITICIANS ARE INVOLVED  
19 IN THIS ISSUE. AND IT'S REALLY VERY UNFORTUNATE THAT WE HAVE  
20 TO GO TO A PROPOSITION TO A VOTE OF THE PUBLIC. THIS SHOULD BE  
21 SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE DECIDED AT THE TOP LEVELS OF  
22 GOVERNMENT WHERE WE SHOULD SET ASIDE MONEY FOR RESEARCH,  
23 RESEARCH OF ALL TYPES. WE SHOULDN'T LIMIT THE TYPES OF  
24 RESEARCH. THERE'S NO LIMIT THAT DOCTORS AND ETHICS NEED TO BE  
25 INVOLVED IN ALL LEVELS OF IT BUT IT SHOULDN'T BE A POLITICAL



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1 DECISION. IT SHOULDN'T BE SOMETHING THAT YOU KNOCK AROUND  
2 POLITICALLY, AS IS GOING TO BE DONE AS THIS INITIATIVE MOVES  
3 FORWARD. BECAUSE, IF YOU ARE A PARENT WHO KNOWS CLEARLY THAT  
4 STEM CELL RESEARCH WILL DO SO MUCH TO LENGTHEN THE LIFE OF  
5 THEIR CHILD, TO MAKE THE LIFE OF THEIR CHILD MUCH STRONGER,  
6 MUCH BETTER, MUCH HEALTHIER, THEY JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND IT,  
7 AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT WE'RE AT THIS POINT AND EVEN WE'RE  
8 BATTLING AROUND. BUT THIS INITIATIVE REALLY PROBABLY SAYS THAT  
9 THIS LEADERSHIP HAS TO GET INTO THE HANDS OF THE PUBLIC, WHERE  
10 HOPEFULLY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO REASON AND SAY, LET'S MOVE  
11 FORWARD, LET'S TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE, AND I APPLAUD THE  
12 PEOPLE WHO INITIATED THIS INITIATIVE, WHO HAVE BROUGHT IT TO  
13 US, WHO ARE NOW ASKING US TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE AND  
14 HOPEFULLY THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WILL PROVIDE LEADERSHIP, NOT  
15 ONLY THROUGHOUT THIS STATE, BUT HOPEFULLY THROUGHOUT THIS  
16 COUNTRY, IS THAT WE NEED TO REMOVE THE POLITICS OUT OF THIS  
17 ISSUE. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD IN OPPORTUNITIES LIKE THIS,  
18 WHERE THERE'S SO MUCH VALUE. AND YOU CAN SEE IT. IT'S-- YOU  
19 KNOW, WHEN RON REAGAN CAME TO THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION, IT  
20 WAS SORT OF A SHOCKING THING, BUT HE CAME THERE WITH A MESSAGE  
21 FOR ALL OF US IN SAYING WE'VE GOT TO TAKE THE POLITICS OUT OF  
22 THIS ISSUE, AND WE ALL AGREED. THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE THAT  
23 JUST WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS STAY WHERE IT SHOULD STAY, IN THE  
24 HANDS OF RESEARCHERS, IN THE HANDS OF DOCTORS, AND IN THE  
25 HANDS OF PEOPLE WHO SHOULD BE FUNDING THIS KIND OF RESEARCH AS



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1 PART OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY AND THEIR DUTY. BUT, AT THIS  
2 POINT IN TIME, IT REALLY REQUIRES US TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP  
3 ROLE. SO I NOT ONLY AM PROUD TO JOIN AS A CO-AUTHOR OF OUR  
4 MOTION HERE BUT I WANT TO DO ALL I CAN TO ENCOURAGE VOTERS TO  
5 GO OUT THERE AND TO BE ATTENTIVE TO WHAT IS GOING ON. THIS IS  
6 NOT A LOT OF MONEY BUT IT IS A GREAT BEGINNING, AND WE'RE  
7 GOING TO LEAVE IT TO THE VOTERS TO LEAVE THAT DECISION. BUT I  
8 REALLY APPLAUD THE LEADERSHIP OF ALL THE ORGANIZATIONS, THE  
9 COALITION THAT'S COME TOGETHER, AND ALL OF US NEED TO CHIME  
10 IN. AND, UNFORTUNATELY, HOPEFULLY CHIME IN ON THE SIDE OF  
11 REASON AND TAKE THE PARTISAN POLITICS OUT OF IT AND GET IT  
12 BACK TO WHERE IT SHOULD BE IN PROVIDING HOPE FOR MANY OF THOSE  
13 FAMILIES THAT CAN BENEFIT SO MUCH. AND IN COMMUNITIES LIKE  
14 MINE WHERE DIABETES IS SUCH A SIGNIFICANT DISEASE, THERE IS NO  
15 DOUBT THAT WE NEED TO STAND UP AND BE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS  
16 INITIATIVE. SO I AM HOPING THAT PEOPLE WILL JOIN WITH US AND  
17 NOT ONLY CAMPAIGN FOR IT BUT ALSO VOTE FOR IT, SO IT REALLY  
18 MERITS THE SUPPORT OF THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I CAN JUST ASK MISS BUCKNER  
21 TO ADDRESS, I JUST WANT, FOR THE RECORD, SINCE IT IS ON THE  
22 RECORD, IS TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THE EMBRYONIC AND ADULT  
23 STEM CELL ISSUE.

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1 **JULIE BUCKNER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SUPERVISOR  
2 ANTONOVICH, WITH ALL RESPECT, I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU MAY HAVE A  
3 DIFFERENT UNDER...

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST ANSWER THE QUESTION.

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7 **JULIE BUCKNER:** ...DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION BUT THE ANSWER TO  
8 THE QUESTION AT HAND IS THIS INITIATIVE DOES NOT EXCLUDE, AS  
9 YOU HAVE SAID, RESEARCH INTO ADULT STEM CELLS OR CORD BLOOD  
10 STEM CELLS. AND, IN FACT, SECTION 5 OF THE INITIATIVE SAYS  
11 THAT PRIORITY IS GIVEN TO EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH BECAUSE  
12 IT'S NOT BEING FUNDED AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL. BUT IT DOES NOT--  
13 IT DOES NOT EXCLUDE IN ANY WAY, SHAPE, OR FORM, IN FACT, IT  
14 SPECIFICALLY INCLUDES, IN SECTION 5 OF THE INITIATIVE, THE  
15 RESEARCH INTO OTHER FORMS OF STEM CELLS IN ADDITION TO  
16 EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ACTUALLY, SECTION 5, I'LL READ THE SENTENCE,  
19 SAYS, "THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED A RIGHT TO CONDUCT STEM  
20 CELL RESEARCH WHICH INCLUDES RESEARCH INVOLVING ADULT STEM  
21 CELLS, CORD BLOOD STEM CELLS, PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS AND/OR  
22 PROGENITOR CELLS," AND IT GOES ON. SO THE FUNDING-- IT'S  
23 ELIGIBLE FOR THE FUNDING.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECTION 11.11 INDICATES THAT THE FUNDING IS  
2   NOT AVAILABLE IF THEY ARE RECEIVING FUNDS FROM ANOTHER SOURCE.

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4   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTOOD WHAT THAT LAST  
5   SENTENCE MEANT. I JUST READ A SENTENCE THAT SAYS, "THERE IS  
6   HEREBY ESTABLISHED," AND I'M READING FROM THE INITIATIVE,  
7   "THERE IS HEREBY..."

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9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** READ SECTION...

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11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, WHY DON'T YOU READ IT?

12

13   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** HE JUST DID. I THINK PART OF IT IS THAT THE  
14   FACT THAT THAT'S GOVERNED BY INITIATIVE. THAT'S THE ONGOING  
15   PROBLEM. CONTRADICTING SECTIONS.

16

17   **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THAT'S WHEN LEADERS DON'T DO WHAT THEY'RE  
18   SUPPOSED TO BE DOING, YOU HAVE NO CHOICE. I MEAN, I DON'T  
19   SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE, EITHER.

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21   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T WANT TO MAKE IT  
22   POLITICAL.

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24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST WANTED TO CLEAR THAT UP FOR THE  
25   RECORD. THANK YOU.



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2 **JULIE BUCKNER:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANYTHING ELSE? OKAY. IF NOT, ROLL  
5 CALL, PLEASE.

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7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE

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15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

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23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AYE.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MOTION CARRIES, 4-TO-1.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TO CALL UP, IS IT, 49?

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT WAS HELD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

7 YVONNE AUTRY. YVONNE AUTRY, ARE YOU STILL HERE? OKAY. GO

8 AHEAD, YVONNE, PLEASE.

9

10 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS YVONNE  
11 MICHELLE AUTRY. THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS  
12 THE BOARD. SPECIFICALLY, I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE  
13 YOUTH, MANY OF WHOM, BECAUSE OF THIS HOMELAND SECURITY AND THE  
14 PATRIOT ACT, HAVE BEEN LABELED NOT ONLY AS GANG BANGERS BUT AS  
15 TERRORISTS. HAVING BEEN PUT IN THAT CATEGORY SIMPLY BECAUSE,  
16 AS I WAS PREVIOUSLY STATED ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS, THAT I  
17 WAS ACTIVE WITH THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY AND ANTI-POLICE  
18 BRUTALITY MEETINGS AND ALSO ENVIRONMENTALLY AWARE GROUPS THAT  
19 WOULD PEACEFULLY PROTEST AGAINST THE POLLUTION IN THE WATER  
20 LIKE THAT IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, ENVIRONMENTAL GENOCIDE, USUALLY  
21 PERPETRATED AGAINST BLACK PEOPLE, PEOPLE OF COLOR, NATIVE  
22 AMERICAN, ORIGINAL PEOPLE, AND MOSTLY POOR PEOPLE BECAUSE  
23 THAT'S WHERE MOST OF THE INDUSTRIAL PLANTS ARE AND PEOPLE ARE  
24 DYING OF CANCERS AND OTHER DISEASES BECAUSE OF LEAD, ASBESTOS  
25 AND DDT, PCBS AND OTHER CONTAMINANTS WHICH, LIKE I SAID,



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1 USUALLY ARE OCCURRING IN POOR AREAS AND IN AREAS WHERE THERE  
2 ARE GREATER INDUSTRY AND PEOPLE OF COLOR. NOW, RELATIVE TO  
3 THIS ITEM, I WANTED TO SAY THAT, YOU KNOW, DID YOU KNOW THAT  
4 THE BLACK PANTHERS AND THE BLOODS AND THE CRIPS ORIGINALLY--  
5 THEY ORIGINALLY-- DID I JUST GET TWO MINUTES INSTEAD OF THREE?

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MMM?

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9 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** DID I JUST GET TWO MINUTES INSTEAD OF  
10 THREE? WHY IS THAT?

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** BECAUSE IT'S ON THIS PARTICULAR ITEM.

13

14 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** OH, OKAY. ANYWAY, THEY ORIGINALLY HAD  
15 ORGANIZED TO PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM THE CRYPTS, I MEAN, FROM  
16 THE POLICE AND, AS YOU KNOW, POLICE HAVE BEEN BEATING DOWN A  
17 LOT OF MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. AGAIN, I WANT TO REMIND YOU,  
18 USE MONEY TO ENCOURAGE SOME TYPE OF COUNSELING FOR THESE  
19 POLICE OFFICERS. WE'RE INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY. AND A LOT  
20 OF THE POLICE OFFICERS ARE ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARM,  
21 THEY'RE FRATERNAL ORGANIZED GROUPS, A LOT OF THEM ARE WHITE  
22 SUPREMACISTS, A LOT OF THEM ARE NAZIS, AND THEY LEGALLY-- I  
23 MEAN, THEY ACTUALLY HUNT A LOT OF THESE YOUNG MEN. A LOT OF  
24 THESE YOUNG MEN ARE EMPLOYED. I'M FROM INGLEWOOD. I'VE NEVER  
25 BEEN IN A GANG, I DON'T ABUSE DRUGS, I DON'T SMOKE AND DRINK.



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1 I WORK AND HAVE MY OWN APARTMENT, BUT NO ONE IS SPEAKING UP ON  
2 BEHALF OF THESE YOUNG ME THAT ARE BEING BEATEN, BLOODIED, BY  
3 THESE POLICE OFFICERS BECAUSE THEY'RE LABELED TERRORISTS. AND,  
4 AGAIN, THEY'RE INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY, SO I HOPE YOU USE  
5 THIS MONEY CONSTRUCTIVELY TO ENCOURAGE SOME RESPONSIBILITY ON  
6 BEHALF OR, YOU KNOW, FOR THESE POLICE OFFICERS BECAUSE NO  
7 ONE'S PROSECUTING THEM. THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED TO THE JEWISH  
8 PEOPLE, AGAIN, BEFORE THEY WERE SEPARATED FROM THEIR CHILDREN.  
9 THAT'S ALREADY HAPPENED TO ME. AND BEFORE THEY WERE  
10 INCARCERATED AND BURNED ALIVE. OKAY? AS THEY WERE LABELED  
11 INFERIOR AND IMPURE AND UNDESIRABLE. AND I WILL NOT ALLOW THAT  
12 TO HAPPEN IN THIS COUNTRY AS LONG AS I CAN SPEAK. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY  
15 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
16 SO ORDERED.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST TO GO BACK, I WANT TO ASK MR. JANSSEN,  
19 ON ARTICLE 1, CALIFORNIA STEM CELL RESEARCH CURES ACT  
20 125.281.11, THE LAST SENTENCE IN THIS REGARD, "OTHER RESEARCH  
21 CATEGORIES FUNDED BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH SHALL  
22 NOT BE FUNDED BY THE INSTITUTE". SO THAT'S WHERE THEY DON'T  
23 FUND THOSE. MR. JANSSEN, ON THE...

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. ANTONOVICH, JUST FOR THE RECORD, I  
2    MEAN...

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4    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PLEASE, PLEASE.

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

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8    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

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10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THE...

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12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PLEASE. OKAY.

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14   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I MEAN...

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16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. JANSSEN...

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18   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL ADDRESS IT AT MY TIME.

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20   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** <INAUDIBLE>

21

22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THE REVIEW AND REPORT ON SECURITY FOR THE  
23   HALL ADMINISTRATION THAT WE HAD A FEW WEEKS AGO, OUR PUBLIC  
24   ADDRESS SYSTEM NEEDS TO BE OPERATIONAL AND THEN SENSITIVE THAT  
25   IT'S NOT-- IT DOESN'T ACTIVATE OTHER TYPES OF PROBLEMS, AND





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1 THAT IT ADDRESSES ALL OF THE FLOORS, INCLUDING THE BASEMENT  
2 AND COMMUNICATION FOR EVACUATION NEEDS TO BE INSTANTANEOUS TO  
3 MAKE SURE THAT ALL FLOORS ARE AWARE OF THAT INFORMATION. AND  
4 THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT YOU HAVE FOR SECURITY ON THE FLOORS ARE  
5 ALSO AWARE WHEN SUCH AN EVACUATION IS NECESSARY. THEN YOU NEED  
6 THE PROCESS BECAUSE THERE'S A PROBLEM WITH LINGERING PEOPLE  
7 ENTERING A FACILITY AFTER SUCH AN EVENT THAT YOU HAVE A STRICT  
8 IDENTIFICATION REENTRY IN PROCESS SO THAT YOU DON'T PREVENT  
9 PROBLEMS.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE ATTEMPTED TO ADDRESS THAT IN MY MOTION.  
12 I THINK THAT RESPONSE IS OVERDUE, ISN'T IT?

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14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IS IT? I'LL FIND OUT...

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE GOT A JULY 12TH REVIEW AND REPORT ON THE  
17 SECURITY OF THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION AND...

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT WAS A QUICK ONE, THOUGH. WE WERE GOING  
20 TO DO FOLLOW-UP DETAIL PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATED TO  
21 NOTIFICATION, PROCEDURES, PROTOCOL, SOUND SYSTEM AND THE WHOLE  
22 THING. OKAY? THAT'S TO BE DELIVERED YET.

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24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'LL FIND OUT WHERE IT IS.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IN THERE, YOU MENTIONED ON THE SIXTH  
2    FLOOR, THE CONTROL ACCESS IS OFTEN BREACHED WHEN KEY HOLDERS  
3    ALLOW OTHERS TO ENTER THE ELEVATORS WITH THEM, AND THAT THE  
4    EXEMPTION TO THE INGRESS TO THE BUILDINGS AT THE RAMP PROVIDED  
5    FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ON TEMPLE STREET AND ON THE  
6    FRONT LANDING DOOR NEXT TO THE BOARD HEARING ROOM, BUT THERE'S  
7    AREAS THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. NEED TO LOOK TO HOSPITAL  
8    PHONE SYSTEM NOTIFICATION SYSTEMS, HOW THEY NOTIFY  
9    INDIVIDUALS. LIKE IN A HOSPITAL, IF THEY'RE CALLING A DOCTOR,  
10    THAT GOES THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE FACILITY WHEN THEY DO THEIR  
11    PAGING. THAT'S THE TYPE OF COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WE NEED WITHIN  
12    THIS FACILITY OR WITHIN THE COURT FACILITY AND OTHER COUNTY  
13    FACILITIES WHEN THERE IS AN EVACUATION ORDER.

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15    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NOT ONLY THE TECHNOLOGY BUT A PROTOCOL IN  
16    PLACE, I MEAN, ALTHOUGH WE THOUGHT THERE WAS ONE IN PLACE,  
17    IT...

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19    **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** DIDN'T WORK.

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21    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ...PRETTY GLARING.

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23    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT CONCLUDES MY AGENDA, MR. CHAIR.

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25    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T HAVE ANY ITEMS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE) THAT WAS KILLED THIS MORNING.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR BURKE WAS GOING.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DO HAVE ONE ADJOURNMENT. I'M SORRY. I'M ASKING  
15 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOSEPH ROJAS, SR. HE IS THE  
16 FATHER OF JOEY ROJAS, WHO IS THE GENTLEMAN THAT COORDINATES  
17 OUR NUISANCE ABATEMENT TEAM FOR OUR FLORENCE-FIRESTONE  
18 DISTRICT. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE ROJAS  
19 FAMILY.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL MEMBERS. OKAY. UNTIL YVONNE GETS  
22 BACK, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, I DO. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN  
25 IN THE MEMORY OF GYPSY BOOTS, WHO PASSED AWAY. I THINK MANY



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1 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME IN CONTACT  
2 WITH HIM. AMONG HIS-- ASIDE FROM HIS ECCENTRICITIES, GYPSY  
3 BOOTS WAS A GREAT ADVOCATE FOR HEALTHY DIET AND HEALTHY  
4 LIVING. LIVED TO A RIPE OLD AGE OF 89, ACCORDING TO THE  
5 NEWSPAPER, BUT RUMOR HAS IT HE WAS OLDER THAN THAT. AND...

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT WILL BE ALL MEMBERS, BECAUSE  
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH BROUGHT THE SAME-- AND OTHERS HAVE IT SO  
9 ALL MEMBERS.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, OKAY. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT. ANYWAY, HE WAS  
12 A CONSTITUENT FOR AWHILE AND A FRIEND. HE WAS A WONDERFUL,  
13 WONDERFUL ANGELINO. DAVID RAKSIN, WHO IS LONG-TIME HOLLYWOOD  
14 FILM COMPOSER KNOWN FOR-- BEST KNOWN FOR HIS THEME SONG FOR  
15 THE 1944 CLASSIC, "LAURA," WHO PASSED AWAY FROM HEART FAILURE  
16 AT THE AGE OF 92. AND ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF  
17 RICHARD COOPER VINETZ, COUNTY RESIDENT, RETIRED HIGH SCHOOL  
18 MATH AND SCIENCE TEACHER, DIED AT THE AGE OF 67, SURVIVED BY  
19 HIS WIFE, ANN BETH, WIFE OF 44 YEARS, HIS SON, JOSEPH AND A  
20 SON, PAUL, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY FAMILY EMPLOYED BY  
21 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU ALSO HAD, I BELIEVE, A MOTION, URGENCY  
24 MOTION?

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DO. I DO. MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A  
2    FINDING THAT THIS ITEM CAME TO OUR ATTENTION AFTER THE POSTING  
3    OF THE AGENDA. THANK YOU. AND IT RELATES TO THE M.T.A. ORANGE  
4    LINE BUS WAY PROJECT IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. IT CAME TO MY  
5    ATTENTION SINCE THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA THAT THE COURTS MAY  
6    RULE AS SOON AS THIS WEEK ON THIS MATTER, SO THAT'S THE  
7    FINDING, BASICALLY MY FINDING, AND I WANT TO READ THE  
8    FOLLOWING MOTION. "A STATE APPELLATE COURT HAS HALTED ALL  
9    CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THE MTA'S ORANGE LINE BUS WAY PROJECT IN  
10   THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY PENDING COMPLETION OF AN ADDITIONAL  
11   ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. THE PROJECT IS NOW OVER 30% COMPLETE. IF  
12   THIS COURT ORDER STANDS, DELAYS IN THE PROJECT'S COMPLETION  
13   COULD COST THE M.T.A. OVER \$100 MILLION. STATE FUNDING FOR THE  
14   PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68 MILLION COULD BE LOST. A  
15   PERMANENT INJUNCTION WOULD MEAN THAT BUSINESSES, RESIDENTS,  
16   SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, AND SYNAGOGUES LOCATED ALONG AND ADJACENT  
17   TO THE LINE WOULD HAVE TO ENDURE AS MANY AS NINE ADDITIONAL  
18   MONTHS OF DISRUPTION CAUSED BY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES. THIS  
19   PROJECT PROMISES TO LESSEN TRAFFIC CONGESTION, IMPROVE AIR  
20   QUALITY AND INCREASE MOBILITY. A DELAY IN COMPLETION OF THIS  
21   MUCH- NEEDED TRANSPORTATION ARTERY WOULD CAUSE GREAT HARM  
22   WITHOUT ANY CONCOMITANT BENEFIT TO THE RESIDENTS AND  
23   BUSINESSES OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND OF THE COUNTY AS A  
24   WHOLE. WE THEREFORE MOVE, MR. KNABE IS JOINING ME ON THIS  
25   MOTION, THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS



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1 THAT THE COURT CONSIDER THE IMPACT THIS DECISION, IF UPHELD,  
2 WILL HAVE AN TAXPAYERS, BUSINESSES, AND RESIDENTS OF THE SAN  
3 FERNANDO VALLEY AND OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A WHOLE AND URGE  
4 THE M.T.A. TO FIGHT THIS DECISION WITH ALL MEANS AT ITS  
5 DISPOSAL."

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVE FOR URGENCY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
8 ORDERED. THEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, AND I'LL SECOND  
9 IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M SORRY. I WASN'T HERE FOR MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. JUST LET ME-- ZEV, ARE YOU FINISHED?

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T THINK I WAS HOLDING ANYTHING.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, BACK TO YOU.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
20 THE MEMORY OF EMMETT CASH, WHO PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY, AUGUST  
21 9TH, AT THE AGE OF 92. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, EMMETT CASH,  
22 III, WHO IS VERY PROMINENT IN LOS ANGELES AND ACTIVE IN TERMS  
23 OF THE COMMUNITY AND PARTICULARLY THE CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES AND  
24 ENTERTAINMENT ISSUES. AND TENORI STEVENS AND MONICA STEVENS, A  
25 SISTER AND BROTHER WHO PASSED AWAY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. TENORI





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1 STEVENS WAS SHOT AND KILLED ON JULY 26TH. HE WAS 29 YEARS OLD.  
2 HIS SISTER, MONICA, PASSED AWAY ON JULY 21ST OF CANCER AT THE  
3 AGE OF 35. BOTH ARE SURVIVED BY THEIR MOTHER, NORRIS DASHIELL,  
4 LONG-TIME COMPTON RESIDENT AND STATE EMPLOYEE. AND MICHAEL  
5 SPARKES, THAT'S CAPTAIN MICHAEL SPARKES, WHO PASSED AWAY  
6 TODAY, AND HE WAS FROM OUR COUNTY POLICE. HE WAS STATIONED AT  
7 HARBOR HOSPITAL. I UNDERSTAND THAT HE HAD STARTED TAKING A  
8 BICYCLE, RIDING A BICYCLE TO WORK AND, AS HE WAS GOING TO WORK  
9 ON HIS WAY TO HARBOR ON HIS BICYCLE, HE WAS ATTACKED IN A  
10 ROBBERY ATTEMPT, AND, AS A RESULT, HE SUSTAINED FATAL SHOTS  
11 AND WOUNDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DOLORES AND A SON,  
12 MICHAEL, JR. AND A STEPDAUGHTER, RHIANNON. HE WAS IN COUNTY  
13 SERVICE FOR 30 YEARS, SO HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS. ALL MEMBERS. AS I SAID  
16 EARLIER, OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO THE FAMILY IN THIS  
17 MOST DIFFICULT TIME AND TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR OFFICE OF  
18 PUBLIC SAFETY, OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THEM AS WELL, TOO.

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20 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY MOTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK?

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE NO MOTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I-- SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. I  
2    HAVE A NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS, UNFORTUNATELY. FIRST OF ALL,  
3    THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JAMES MILLER, JR. JIM WAS A  
4    COUNTY LIFEGUARD FOR OVER 16 YEARS. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF  
5    MANHATTAN BEACH. HE WILL BE MISSED BY HIS FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND  
6    COLLEAGUES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, HIS BROTHER, JEFF.  
7    ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARY BINCH. MARY IS THE  
8    WIFE OF MY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONER, A LONG-TIME COUNTY  
9    EMPLOYEE, FRANK BINCH, WHO DIED SUDDENLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY THIS  
10   PAST WEEK AT THE AGE OF 61.

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12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PUT ME ON THAT ONE.

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14   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS. SHE JUST HAD RETIRED WITHIN  
15   THE LAST SIX MONTHS AFTER 35 YEARS IN PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND  
16   SHE WAS AN EDUCATOR, ADVISOR AND BELOVED FRIEND OF COUNTLESS  
17   CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. SHE LEAVES BEHIND HER LOVING HUSBAND OF  
18   29 YEARS, HER CHILDREN, REBECCA, MELISSA, STEVEN, AND  
19   GRANDSON, CALEB. WHAT A SHOCK THAT WAS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN  
20   IN THE MEMORY OF VIVIAN KENNEDY, VERY PROUD AND INDEPENDENT IN  
21   ATHLETICS. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED AND HAD A FONDNESS FOR  
22   BALLROOM DANCING AND ANTIQUE COLLECTOR. SHE SPOKE FLUENT IN  
23   SPANISH AND WAS KNOWN FOR HER JUST OUTGOING. SHE WAS A LONG-  
24   TIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND SHE PASSED AWAY MONDAY AS A  
25   RESULT OF THE WEST NILE VIRUS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE



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1 MEMORY OF KURT WELTE, WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 30TH AFTER A LONG  
2 BATTLE WITH SKIN CANCER. MANY OF YOU REMEMBER HIM. HE WAS THE  
3 FORMER CONSUL-GENERAL OF SWITZERLAND IN LOS ANGELES FROM 1990  
4 TO 1995. HE WAS AN EXTREMELY POPULAR CONSUL-GENERAL AND A VERY  
5 ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPANT IN ALL OUR VARIOUS EVENTS EACH AND  
6 EVERY YEAR. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ELIZABETH, AND THREE  
7 CHILDREN. SO ALL MEMBERS.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PUT ME ON THAT.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
12 MEMORY OF JAMES ROBERT "BOB" PECK. PECK AND HIS WIFE, MELVA,  
13 HAVE BEEN MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF WHITTIER  
14 SINCE 1945. THEY WERE VERY ACTIVE THROUGHOUT. HE IS SURVIVED  
15 BY HIS WIFE, MELVA, CHILDREN MARY BETH, JEFF, AND THREE  
16 GRANDCHILDREN AND SIX GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE  
17 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF RETIRED SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, VICTOR  
18 BARRERA. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AT THE LEGAL AID FOUNDATION, LONG  
19 BEACH, BECAME A DEPUTY D.A. FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN 1969,  
20 MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE IN '79. IN 1981, HE WAS ELEVATED TO THE  
21 SUPERIOR COURT AND WAS ELECTED AS THE LONG BEACH BAR  
22 ASSOCIATION'S JUDGE OF THE YEAR IN 1995. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
23 WIFE, SHARON OF SAN PEDRO. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY  
24 OF MELVIN APPLEBURY, A LIFETIME-- OKAY. ALL MEMBERS ON JUDGE  
25 BARRERA. ALSO, MR. MELVIN APPLEBURY, A LIFETIME ARTESIA



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1 RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 65. HE WENT  
2 ALL THE WAY THROUGH THE SCHOOL SYSTEM IN THE ABC UNIFIED  
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT THERE IN ARTESIA, AND HE WORKED FOR EIGHT  
4 YEARS AND THEN WAS HIRED BY ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AS A  
5 MECHANIC FOR THE BUSES, SPENT A TOTAL OF 29 YEARS WITH ABC  
6 BEFORE RETIRING IN FEBRUARY 2000. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE  
7 OF 45 YEARS, BARBARA, AND HIS DAUGHTERS, JENNY AND SUZANNE,  
8 HIS SON, GUY, AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
9 THE MEMORY OF PATRICIA SARKIS-LARA WHO SADLY PASSED AWAY  
10 RECENTLY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 24 YEARS OLD. HER MOTHER, AS WE  
11 ALL KNOW, MARTHA LARA, SERVED AS THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF MEXICO  
12 HERE IN LOS ANGELES FROM MARCH 2001 TO JANUARY 2004, AND IS  
13 CURRENTLY SERVING AS CONSUL-GENERAL OF MEXICO IN SAN ANTONIO,  
14 TEXAS. CONSUL-GENERAL LARA IS A GOOD FRIEND OF THE BOARD AS  
15 WELL AS THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE WILL BE-- PATRICIA WILL  
16 BE SADLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND WE HOLD CONSUL-  
17 GENERAL LARA IN OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS AT THIS VERY DIFFICULT  
18 TIME. ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF  
19 MILLICENT SMITH. SHE GRADUATED FROM POLY HIGH SCHOOL AND LATER  
20 LONG BEACH STATE. SHE WORKED FOR 25 YEARS AS AN ELEMENTARY  
21 SCHOOL TEACHER AND READING SPECIALIST. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED  
22 IN READING PROGRAMS, SHE WAS PRESIDENT OF MID CITIES BRANCH OF  
23 INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION, VERY INVOLVED IN THE  
24 LAKEWOOD PAN AM FESTIVAL. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, OWEN  
25 THOMAS SMITH, SONS, GREGORY, THOMAS AND PAUL, RANDALL, AND



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1 GRANDSON, BRIAN AND DANIEL, AND NIECES, DEBBIE, LORRI, AND  
2 ELLEN. AND THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. SO ORDERED. I HELD ITEM  
3 NUMBER 8, AND BASICALLY I HELD THE ITEM JUST FOR AN AMENDMENT,  
4 AND BASICALLY I ADDED A LAST SENTENCE THAT MY STAFF WILL HAND  
5 OUT HERE, AND THAT WAS THE LAST SENTENCE, "ALSO TO REDUCE THE  
6 EFFECTS OF EXTENDED OUTAGES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SHOULD BE  
7 IMPLEMENTED TO ALLOW USERS TO CONTINUE WORKING ON DOCUMENTS ON  
8 THEIR LOCAL WORK STATIONS EVEN IF THEIR E-MAIL OR NETWORK  
9 SYSTEMS ARE NOT OPERATIONAL." IN ESSENCE, IN ALLOWING US TO GO  
10 TO "WORD" OR SOME OF THE OTHER PRODUCTS THAT WE DO HAVE, LIKE  
11 OTHER USERS OF COMPUTERS CAN DO. SO I'M ADDING THAT AMENDMENT  
12 TO NUMBER EIGHT, AND WITH THAT, I'D MOVE IT AS AMENDED.  
13 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
14 ORDERED. AND DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT? OKAY. NO ONE ELSE  
15 HAS ANYTHING. THEN IF YOU'LL READ US TO CLOSED SESSION,  
16 PLEASE.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
19 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
20 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-  
21 1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
22 LITIGATION, ITEM CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
23 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE; ITEM CS-3,  
24 INTERVIEW AND CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE  
25 POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL; ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR



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1 NEGOTIATORS, DAVID E. JANSSEN, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER  
2 AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA 20 PURSUANT  
3 TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957, COUNTY COUNSEL'S  
4 RECOMMENDATION REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT WITH  
5 MERRICK BOBB. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION BUT  
8 ONE FINAL WORD. AS CHAIR AND AS COLLEAGUES IN JOINING ME, WE  
9 WILL BE ORDERING THE COUNTY FLAGS AT HALF-MAST IN HONOR OF OUR  
10 FALLEN OFFICER UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE SERVICES TAKE PLACE.  
11 THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CONCLUDE, SERVICES CONCLUDE.

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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2004]

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4 Agenda No. 20

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6 The Board of Supervisors reconvened its meeting in open  
7 session, and on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by  
8 Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the Board adopted  
9 Agenda No. 20, County Counsel's recommendation to approve and  
10 instruct the Chairman to sign amendment to agreement with  
11 Merrick J. Bobb, to allow Special Counsel to expend up to  
12 \$10,000 to conduct a special investigation into the April 20,  
13 2003 death of an inmate who was a prosecution witness.

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15 There is no reportable action as a result of today s closed  
16 session.

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I, Jennifer A. Hines, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do hereby certify:

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